

Developmental Trauma Disorder Clinical Interviews

Two clinician-administered interview tools have been developed by Drs. Julian Ford, Joseph Spinazzola and the DTD Field Trial Study Group:

1. **Developmental Trauma Disorder Structured Interview for Child (DTD SI-C)** intended for administration to children and youth aged 7-18. Designed to be administered to children ages 7-10 in the presence of a parent or primary caregiver; and to pre-adolescents, adolescents ages 11-18 alone or accompanied by a parent/caregiver as clinically appropriate for a given youth.
2. **Developmental Trauma Disorder Structured Interview for Parent /Caregiver (DTD SI- P/C)**

Validation of these measures is actively being undertaken in the context of the Developmental Trauma Disorder Field Trials. Published results from the first wave of the DTD Field Trials provide strong preliminary support for the psychometric properties of these measures (Ford, Spinazzola, van der Kolk, Grasso, 2018; Spinazzola, van der Kolk, & Ford, 2018).

Confirmation of the final factor structure, symptom composition and corresponding interview design for the DTD diagnostic construct awaits completion of replication analyses currently underway from the second and final wave of the DTD Field Trial.

Until DTD Field Trial analyses have been completed on the wave two cohort of field trials sites, subjected to peer review, and presented for content matter expert scrutiny and feedback at an annual meeting or conference of one of the international psychological trauma associations, the DTD interviews will not be available for distribution for general clinical use.

In the interim, the DTD Field Trial Study Group has authorized limited release of the interview tools exclusively for research purposes. The Foundation Trust is maintaining a registry cataloguing all research distribution of the DTD instruments.

Academics, clinical researchers, and doctoral students interested in obtaining a copy of the instruments and supporting materials are instructed to contact Dr. Joseph Spinazzola, DTD Field Trial Co-Principal Investigator via email: josephspinazzola@foundationtrust.org.

Requests should include a description of study design, target population, sponsoring institution, principal investigator(s), study timeline, and funding source (if any). Requests should also indicate whether the investigators would be interested in data sharing, collaboration or consultation with the DTD Field Trial Study Group (optional).

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