



# Juvenile Victimization Questionnaire



## **Basic Screen Questions**

*Now we are going to ask you about some things that might have happened in the last year.*

### **Module A: CONVENTIONAL CRIME**

#### **CC1) Personal Theft**

In the last year, did anyone steal some thing from you and never give it back? Things like a backpack, money, watch, clothing, bike, stereo, or anything else?

#### **CC2) Robbery**

In the last year, did anyone use force to take some thing away from you that you were carrying or wearing?

#### **CC3) Vandalism**

In the last year, did anyone break or ruin any of your things on purpose?

#### **CC4) Nonspecific Physical Assault**

In the last year, did anyone hit or attack you? Somewhere like: at home, at school, at a store, in a car, on the street, or anywhere else?

#### **CC5) Aggravated Assault**

Sometimes people are attacked with sticks, rocks, guns, knives, or other things that would hurt. In the last year, did anyone hit or attack you on purpose with some thing that would hurt?

**CC6) Attempted Assault**

In the last year, did anyone start to attack you, but for some reason it didn't happen? For example, someone helped you or you got away?

**CC7) Nonspecific Sexual Assault (*Note: not asked here when Sexual Offenses module is given*)**

In the last year, did anyone touch your private parts when you didn't want it, or make you touch their private parts? Or did anyone force you to have sex? This could be someone you don't know, or even someone you know well.

**Module B:CHILD MALTREATMENT**

***Next, we ask about grown-ups who take care of you. This means parents, babysitters, adults who live with you, or others who watch you.***

**CM1) Physical Abuse by Caregivers**

In the last year, did a grown-up in your life hit, beat, kick, or physically abuse you in any way?

**CM2) Psychological/Emotional Abuse**

In the last year, did you get scared or feel really bad because grown-ups called you names, said mean things to you, or said they didn't want you?

**CM3) Neglect**

When someone is neglected, it means that the grown-ups in their life didn't take care of them the way they should. They might not get them enough food, take them to the doctor when they are sick, or make sure they have a safe place to stay. In the last year, did you get neglected?

**CM4) Family Abduction**

Sometimes a family fights over where a child should live. In the last year, did a parent take you, keep you, or hide you to stop you from being with another parent?

**CM5) Sexual Assault by Known Adults (*Note: not asked here when Sexual Offenses module is given*)**

In the last year, did a grown-up you know touch your private parts when you didn't want it or make you touch their private parts? Or did a grown-up you know force you to have sex?

### Module C: PEER AND SIBLING VICTIMIZATION

#### **PS1) Peer or Sibling Assault**

In the last year, did any kids, even a brother or sister, hit you? Somewhere like: at home, at school, out playing, in a store, or anywhere else?

#### **PS2) Gang or Group Assault**

Sometimes groups of kids or gangs attack people. In the last year, did a group of kids or a gang hit, jump, or attack you?

#### **PS3) Dating Violence (Note: only asked of children aged 12–or 6<sup>th</sup> grade--and older.)**

In the last year, did a boyfriend or girlfriend or anyone you went on a date with slap or hit you?

#### **PS4) Nonsexual Genital Assault**

In the last year, did any kids try to hurt your private parts on purpose by hitting or kicking you there?

#### **PS5) Bullying**

In the last year, did any kids, even a brother or sister, pick on you? They might pick on you by chasing you, grabbing your hair or clothes, or making you do some thing you did not want to do.

#### **PS6) Emotional Bullying**

In the last year, did you get scared or feel really bad because other kids were picking on you? They might pick on you by calling you names, saying mean things to you, or saying they didn't want you around?

## Module D:SEXUAL OFFENSES

### **SO1) Nonspecific Sexual Assault**

In the last year, did anyone touch your private parts when you didn't want it, or make you touch their private parts? Or did anyone force you to have sex? This could be someone you don't know, or even someone you know well.

### **SO2) Sexual Assault by Known Adult**

In the last year, did a grown-up you know touch your private parts when you didn't want it or make you touch their private parts? Or did a grown-up you know force you to have sex?

### **SO3) Sexual Assault by Peer**

Now think about kids your age, like from school, a boy friend or girl friend, or even a brother or sister. In the last year, did a child or teen make you do sexual things?

### **SO4) Rape: Attempted or Completed**

In the last year, did anyone try to force you to have sex, that is sexual intercourse of any kind?

### **SO5) Involvement in Pornography**

In the last year, did anyone take photos or videos of you when you were naked?

### **SO6) Exposure/ Exhibition**

In the last year, did anyone make you look at their private parts by using force or surprise, or by "flashing" you?

### **SO7) Verbal Sexual Harassment**

In the last year, did anyone hurt your feelings by saying or writing sexual things about you or your body?

### **SO8) Statutory Rape & Sexual Misconduct *(Note: only asked of children aged 12--or 6<sup>th</sup> grade-- and older.)***

In the last year, did you do sexual things with anyone 19 or older, even things you both wanted?

## Module E: WITNESSING AND INDIRECT VICTIMIZATION

*Sometimes these things don't happen to you but you see them happen to other people. This means to other people in real life. Not people on TV, video games, movies, or that you just heard about.*

### **WI1) Witness to Assault**

In the last year, in real life did you see anyone get attacked or hit on purpose? Somewhere like: at home, at school, at a store, in a car, on the street, or anywhere else?

### **WI2) Witness to Aggravated Assault**

In the last year, in real life did you see anyone get attacked on purpose with a stick, rock, gun, knife, or other thing that would hurt?

### **WI3) Witness to Domestic Violence**

In the last year did you see one of your parents get hit by another parent, or their boyfriend or girlfriend? How about slapped, hit, punched, or beat up?

### **WI4) Witness to Parent Assault of Sibling**

In the last year, did you see your parent hit, beat, kick, or physically abuse your brother or sister?

### **WI5) Burglary of Family Household**

In the last year, did anyone steal some thing from your house that belongs to your family or someone you live with? Things like furniture, clothing, TV, stereo, car, or anything else?

## **Module F: EXTRAORDINARY OR CATASTROPHIC VICTIMIZATION**

***Now we ask about things that may have happened any time in your life, not just in the last year.***

### **EC1) Nonspecific Abduction**

When a person is kidnapped, it means they were made to go somewhere, like into a car, by someone who they thought might hurt them. Has anyone ever tried to kidnap you?

### **EC2) Murder of Family Member or Friend**

When a person is murdered, it means someone killed them on purpose. Has anyone close to you, like in your family, a friend, or neighbor, ever been murdered?

### **EC3) Witness to Murder**

Have you ever seen someone murdered in real life? This means not on TV, video games, or in the movies?

### **EC4) Hate Crimes**

Have you ever been hit or attacked because of your skin color, religion, or where your family comes from? Because of a physical problem you have? Or because someone said you are gay?

### **EC5) Exposure to Random Shootings, Terrorism, or Riots**

Have you ever been in a place in real life where you could see or hear people being shot, bombs going off, or street riots?

### **EC6) Exposure to War or Ethnic Conflict**

Have you ever been in the middle of a war where you could hear real fighting with guns or bombs?

- **This file shows all of the screen items for the JVQ labeled by the type of victimization they are designed to measure. ITEMS SHOULD NOT BE ADMINISTERED WITH THEIR ITEM LABELS ( such as “ Personal Theft “). Complete administration forms for the JVQ are available that can collect frequencies and/or follow-up information for each question. People who are interested in using the JVQ should contact us for written permission to use the questionnaire. If you are interested in obtaining these forms, have questions, or are seeking permission to use, contact Sherry L. Hamby, Ph.D., at [slhamby@cisunix.unh.edu](mailto:slhamby@cisunix.unh.edu).**