

## A SURVEY OF SOCIAL ATTITUDES

On the following pages are some statements of attitudes upon which we would like your opinion. These attitudes are concerned with mental illness. ('Mental illness' means here whatever you believe it to mean). You will likely agree with some of these statements and disagree with others. There are no 'right' or 'wrong' answers which could give you a 'good' or 'bad' score. Please indicate how you would really feel if you actually had to make these decisions.

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We would like you to complete the form as fast as possible as it is your first answer that we want.

Please answer by drawing a circle around the letter  A if you agree with the statement and around the letter  D if you disagree. For example:

'It would be wise to stay as far away as possible from former mental hospital patients.' . . . . . A  D

If you disagree with the above statement you would put a circle around  D as above.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

1. I would be willing to trust someone who had been mentally ill with financial matters. A D
2. Our community should not be expected to take the responsibility of providing suitable jobs for its former mental hospital patients. A D
3. Those who live in communities from which mentally sick people come ought to be considered partially responsible for their breakdown. A D
4. If I were a resident owner of an apartment house I would hesitate to rent living quarters to a former mental hospital patient. A D
5. If I were employed at a job I wouldn't hesitate to share my office with someone who had been mentally ill. A D
6. I wouldn't work for anyone who had been mentally ill. A D
7. I would marry a member of a family in which there is mental illness. A D
8. I would never trust anyone who had been mentally ill with my children. A D
9. The family and friends of a mentally sick person ought to be considered to need mental health guidance. A D
10. I would not lend money to a person who had been mentally ill. A D
11. I would be willing to room with a former mental hospital patient. A D
12. It would be wise to discourage former mental hospital patients from entering our community since they are likely to become an expense. A D
13. I would be willing to take training which would make me eligible to sponsor a mental hospital patient when he was discharged. A D
14. I would feel no personal responsibility if a member of my favorite club or society became mentally ill. A D
15. Those who live in communities from which mentally sick people come should be considered to need mental health guidance. A D
16. In spite of our best efforts there is very little which we can do to prevent mental illness. A D
17. I can imagine myself becoming mentally ill. A D
18. I would feel partially responsible if a member of my family had a serious mental breakdown. A D

19. I would be willing to sponsor a person who had been mentally ill for membership in my favorite club or society. A D
20. We should strongly discourage our children from marrying anyone who has been mentally ill. A D
21. If I owned an empty lot beside my house I would be willing to sell it to a former mental hospital patient. A D
22. Only professionally trained people such as doctors or ministers should feel responsibility for other people's problems of mental health and mental illness. A D
23. I can imagine myself falling in love with a person who had been mentally ill. A D

Will you check the Age group in which you belong:  
 under 20          20-40          40-60          over 60

What was the last grade you completed at school:  
 1 - 4\_\_\_          4 - 8\_\_\_          8 - 12\_\_\_          over 12\_\_\_

What do you consider to be the main cause of mental illness?

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