

The Court Impact Scale

We would like to ask you some general questions about what happened as a result of your process of applying for a protection order. Please answer each question on a scale of 1 (strongly disagree) to 4 (strongly agree).

	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Strongly Agree</i>
1. I am disappointed in the court system	1	2	3	4
2. I am upset	1	2	3	4
3. I am confused about what happened in the court	1	2	3	4
4. I regret applying for this CPO	1	2	3	4
5. The CPO process cost me too much money	1	2	3	4
6. I feel like workers at the court heard me*	1	2	3	4
7. Telling people in court about what happened was like reliving what happened	1	2	3	4
8. I feel like a victim	1	2	3	4
9. I feel safe*	1	2	3	4
10. As a result of this process, I am more afraid	1	2	3	4
11. I am worried about what the Respondent will do next	1	2	3	4
12. I got everything I wanted in the order	1	2	3	4

13. I got all the resources I wanted from the court	1	2	3	4
14. I believe that Respondent learned his/her lesson	1	2	3	4
15. My self-esteem increased because I spoke up for myself	1	2	3	4
16. I got what I needed	1	2	3	4
17. I was pleased with the timely manner of the CPO process	1	2	3	4
18. I have time to focus on other things now	1	2	3	4
19. The court process caused problems for me at work	1	2	3	4
20. The court process caused problems for me at home	1	2	3	4
21. I believe the court took me seriously*	1	2	3	4
22. I felt like my case was not all that important to the court workers*	1	2	3	4
23. I felt more like a number than a person during the court process*	1	2	3	4

SCORING:

* Reverse scored item

Subscales should be scored separately:

Negative Impact = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Positive Impact = 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18

Fear = 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14

Validation = 6, 21, 22, 23

Network Impact = 19, 20

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