

HOORAY, IT'S TIME FOR JANUARY'S
TIP OF THE MONTH!!!

Is your client a social isolate?



*And while we're on
the subject of friends
and acquaintances,
remember...*

If #34 is a risk, so is #33
(because all friends are
acquaintances but not all
acquaintances are friends.)

And if #40 scores, then so
does #33 because they
gotta be acquainted with
the person they get their
drugs from.

In the past twelve (12) months, has he or she lacked a significant, intimate and mutual relationship with a *non-relative*? Has he or she expressed difficulty meeting others, keeping friends, or getting along with people? Is your client unable to make friends because of a social or mental inability? Does your client socialize exclusively within his or her family?

If the answer to **any** of these questions is YES, then congratulations, your client is a social isolate and scores as a risk for LSI-R item number 32!

Can a social isolate have acquaintances? Yep!

Can a social isolate have friends? Nope!

January 2018 Tip of the Month: LSI Scoring on Companions

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Dee is a nineteen (19) year old female serving a four (4) year term of probation for Assault in the Second Degree. She has a long list of juvenile offenses and has had several psychiatric hospital admissions in the past three (3) years.

Dee lives with her grandparents, is unmarried and has no children. She reports that men often flirt with her, but for some reason never ask her on dates. She is frustrated that she has never had a boyfriend, or even someone she could call her BFF, and often feels lonely. When she was little, she didn't fit in with the other kids and was picked on a lot.

Dee endorses positive auditory hallucinations and describes them as mean and belittling to her. She is currently prescribed Risperidal, which she takes daily, and presents with a blunted affect. She believes the voices when they tell her no one likes her. When asked who she spends time with, Dee reports that she spends her free-time at home watching TV because she feels uncomfortable being around other people.

Dee works part-time at the recycling redemption center in her neighborhood. She usually works with about two or three other people during a shift, and says that her co-workers don't bother her; she has no interest in talking to any of them, however, because all they talk about is how to fool their probation officers into believing they don't use drugs.

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- Y) 32. ____ A social isolate
- Y) 33. ____ Some criminal acquaintances
- Y) 34. ____ Some criminal friends
- Y) 35. ____ Few anti-criminal acquaintances
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SUBTOTAL SCORE ____/5 = (%)

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