

Name of Measure: Asian American Family Conflicts Scale (Lee, Choe, Kim, & Ngo, 2000)

Purpose of Measure: To assess conflicts in values and practices between U.S.-raised children and their immigrant parents.

Reference: Lee, R.M., Choe, J., Kim, G. & Ngo, V. (2000). Construction of the Asian American Family Conflicts Scale. *Journal of Counseling Psychology*, 47(2), 211-222.

Description of measure: The Asian American Family Conflict Scale (FCS) consists of descriptions of 10 family conflicts that may occur in Asian American families. Each item is rated for likelihood of occurrence (FCS-Likelihood) and seriousness of conflict (FCS-Seriousness). Both sub-scales scores range from 10 to 50 with the higher score indicating greater likelihood or seriousness of conflict.

Language availability: English

Translation comments: Not applicable.

Description of Asian population: Three samples (N=186, N=153, and N=109) of Asian American college students participated in the testing of the FCS. Their ages ranged from 16-52 years.

Norms: The mean total scores for the FCS-Likelihood were 31.24(SD=10.10), 31.72(SD=7.66), and 27.39(SD=9.44) across the three studies. The mean total scores of the FCS-Seriousness were 30.01(SD=10.07), and 28.14(SD=7.43) across two of the studies.

Reliability: The internal reliability estimates (Cronbach's alpha) for FCS-Likelihood were between .81 and .89 and for FCS-Seriousness, they were between .84 and .91. The stability coefficient for FCS-Likelihood and FCS-Seriousness were .80 and .85 respectively. The inter-scale correlation was $r = .74$.

Validity: The concurrent validity of the FCS was established using the 24-item Social, Attitudinal, Familial, Environmental Acculturation Stress Scale (SAFE), the Family Adaptation and Cohesion Emotions Scales II, and the Parent and Adolescent Communication Scales

The items of the FCS-Likelihood sub-scale were significantly correlated with the family conflict items from the SAFE and with the FACESII, and PACS. The FCS-Seriousness was related only to the SAFE.

The convergent and discriminant validity estimates of both sub-scales were assessed by correlating items with SAFE-Family and SAFE-Other (the remaining 21 non-family conflict items from the SAFE) scores. The FCS-Likelihood and –Seriousness scores were significantly and positive correlated with the SAFE-Family score ($r = .53$ and $r = .52$ respectively) and unrelated to the SAFE-Other score.

How to get a copy of instrument: Instrument can be found in the article. For permission to use, please contact Dr. Richard M. Lee at rich.lee@mail.utexas.edu or write to him at Department of Educational Psychology, Sanchez SZB 504, University of Texas, Austin, Texas 78712-1296.