



TIR assessment portal

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Participant Information Sheet

Your participation using the STAGE-28 assessment portal is welcome. It has been designed with the overall aim of establishing the effectiveness of Traumatic Incident Reduction (TIR) and those who deliver it as facilitators or trainers. Often people seeking counselling or psychotherapy do not have their troubles eased or notice life improve regardless of the time, modality or effort put into 'getting well'. As TIR is a person-centered approach you should experience a tangible change with little interference, persuasion or from your facilitator. You can expect simple instructions, explanations and a genuine interest in your responses. This portal is a way to measure any changes that follow.

STAGE-28 International is a company specialising in emergency services training and research around the world and your responses will be stored on its encrypted servers in accordance with the EU GDPR regulations (2018). All identifying information will be removed upon receipt leaving only the scores and demographic information (e.g., age, relationship status) for analysis. An e-mail address is only necessary to send your results to you.

Before your first engagement you will receive a link to a page on the STAGE-28 portal that seeks your agreement to take part, have your data stored securely and know how to withdraw should you wish. After completing the questionnaires the results will appear in your Inbox as an e-mail. It will contain scores, further information and contact details. Completion will be requested again at a later time to allow a before-and-after comparison from your TIR session(s) or workshop(s).

While it is hoped this assurance encourages you to take part you are entitled to withdraw at any time without giving a reason. If you do wish to withdraw contact Dr John Durkin at STAGE-28 john@stage-28.com and your unprocessed data will be traced and deleted. If it has been processed your identification and participation record will be deleted.

No harm is anticipated from taking part as this merely involves completing standard research questions and should take around 10 minutes. If you do have a concern please raise it with Dr Durkin (e-mail above). More information is available at the foot of the e-mail you will receive upon completion.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Durkin', is positioned above a dotted line.

Dr John Durkin