
Symposium SA-3
Saturday, July 29, 2006

**Measurement issues in accurate assessment
of sexual assault victimization and perpetration**



This symposium addresses the important issue of accurate measurement when assessing rates of sexual assault victimization and perpetration. Several prominent researchers in the area of sexual assault have put together four presentations to address this theme. Antonia Abbey will discuss the ongoing efforts among her research group to refine the Sexual Experiences Survey (SES) through the addition of items. Michele Parkhill and her colleagues will discuss the limitations and possible solutions to categorizing levels of sexual assault perpetration based on single items. Jacquelyn White will discuss specific revisions to the alcohol- and drug-assisted items from the SES for use with male perpetrators and the utility for increasing self-disclosure. Kathleen Parks and Ann Pardi will discuss measurement of sexual assault and substance use with daily reports using both global and specific questions. Jeanette Norris will serve as discussant.