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Validation of a brief screener for broad-spectrum mental and substance-use disorders in South Africa – ERRATUM

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The publisher apologises that upon publication [table 1](#) of Stockton MA, et al. 2024 was misnumbered, repeating 5 and 6 twice in Step Two Questions.

The correct table should have been as below:

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Table 1. MwTool-13 Questions Definitions of a Positive Screen for Each Disorder Category

Numbering, Questions and Administration Instructions		Definition of a Positive Screen	Disorder
Step One Questions	1. <u>In the last 2 weeks</u> , how often have you been feeling down, depressed, or hopeless?	≥ “Several days” to any of the three questions	CMD
	2. <u>In the last 2 weeks</u> , how often have you been feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge?		Does not inform a specific disorder ^a
	3. <u>In the last 2 weeks</u> , how often have you been so restless that it’s hard to sit still?		CMD
POSITIVE to questions 1 or 2 or 3, CONTINUE SCREENING. If NEGATIVE for all three, STOP. If POSITIVE to question 2, but NEGATIVE to questions 5–11, refer to self–help.			
Step Two Questions	4. <u>In the past year</u> , how often do you have a drink containing alcohol?	Anyone (regardless of gender): ≥ “Between 2 and 4 times a month” on Q4 Women: “Monthly or less” on Q4 and ≥ “3 or 4” on Q5 Men: “Monthly or less” on Q4 and ≥ “5 or 6” on Q5	AUD
	5. <u>In the past year</u> , how many drinks containing alcohol do you have on a typical day when you are drinking?		
	6. <u>In the past year</u> , how many times have you used a recreational or illegal drug or used a prescription medication for non–medical reasons?	≥ “Once or twice”	SUD
	7. <u>In the past year</u> , have you ever felt that your thoughts were being directly interfered with or controlled by some outside force or person in a way that many people would find hard to believe (for instance, through telepathy)?	“Yes” to any of the four questions	SMD
	8. <u>In the past year</u> , have there been times when you felt that a group of people was plotting to cause you serious harm or injury?		
	9. <u>In the past year</u> , have there been times when you felt that something so strange was going on that other people would find it very hard to believe?		
	10. <u>In the past year</u> , did you at any time hear voices saying quite a few words or sentences when there was no one around that might account for it?		
	11. <u>In the past month</u> , have you wished you were dead or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up?		
	12. <u>In the past month</u> , have you had any actual thoughts of killing yourself?	“Yes” to any of the three questions	SR
	13. <u>In the past 3 months</u> , have you ever done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life?		

Abbreviations: AUD, alcohol-use disorder; CMD, common mental disorder; SMD, severe mental disorder; SR, suicide risk; SUD, substance use disorder.

^aWhile Q1-3 direct continuation to the step two questions for identifying AUD, SUD, and SMD, positive responses to Q1 and/or Q3 are considered indicative of CMD. Of note, endorsing only Q2 and none of the other questions is not indicative of a specific disorder.

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