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Introduction: The CTN Steering Committee has approved the recommendation of the Common Assessment Battery Workgroup that there should be a common assessment battery for the CTN in order to obtain a minimal data set on all subjects enrolled in CTN studies to allow cross study data compilation and comparisons. The battery is not intended to be extensive or comprehensive and other data will be obtained as specified by individual study protocols. The common battery is intended to be minimally intrusive in time and content to both the CTP clinical staff and their clients.

The battery consists of a series of data gathering instruments that are required elements of all CTN clinical trials. The use of the Common Assessment Battery by studies is not rigid, mandatory, or immutable. Protocol Lead Investigators may advance substantive reasons not to include one or more elements of the battery in their study. Also, as experience is gained by the CTN, elements can be deleted or added as recommended by the Common Assessment Battery workgroup and approved by the Steering Committee. Also, in order to permit some flexibility most elements of the battery are required but others are optional. In some cases, the choice of which type of required measure to use is determined by the research protocol.

The following table provides detailed information on the Common Assessment Battery.

CTN Common Assessment Battery

Demographics and Study Enrollment (All Persons Screened; RA; 5 - 10 min; required)

- Sex, Age, Ethnicity/Race, Marital status
- Education, employment
- Substance Use (Current, lifetime, route of administration - ASI-Lite-CF questions)
- Inclusion-exclusion criteria and disposition

Recent Drug Use

- Biological: (RA; 10 min; required)
 - Alcohol by Breathalyzer or Saliva probe
 - Urine Test Cup with temperature strip in clinic or Urine Toxicology by outside Certified Centralized Lab (determined by each protocol)
- Self-report:
 - From Addiction Severity Index Lite-CF (ASI-Lite-CF; RA; 5 min; required)
 - (Days used, money spent on drugs in past 30 days)
 - (Drug use composite score)
- Current DSM-IV Drug abuse/dependence diagnosis (RA; 10-20 min; required)
 - Substance Dependence Severity Scale (SDSS) preferred or DSM-IV Checklist or SCID (Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-IV) – determined by each protocol

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Other Associated Problems

- Addiction Severity Index Lite-CF (RA; 15 min; required)
Medical, employment, legal, family/social, psychiatric problems
- HIV Measure: HIV Risk Behavior Scale (HRBS) (Self-report; 5 min; required)
- Psychological Symptoms:
Brief Symptom Inventory (BSI) (Self-report; 10 min; optional)