

Hierarchical Mapping Technique (Social Support Convoy Model)

This survey accompanies a measure in the SPARQTools.org [Measuring Mobility toolkit](#), which provides practitioners curated instruments for assessing mobility from poverty and tools for selecting the most appropriate measures for their programs.

Age: Adult

Duration: < 3 minutes

Reading Level: 6th to 8th grade

Number of items: 3

Answer Format: Open-ended responses

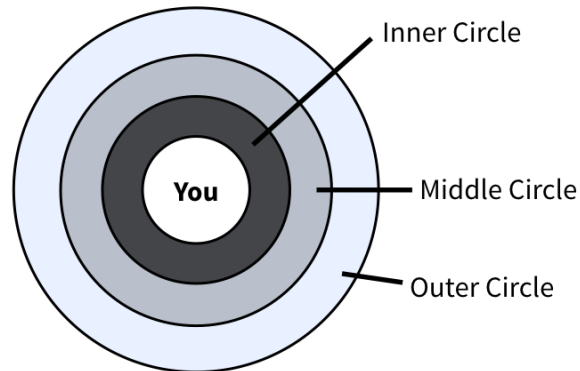
Scoring:

Count and sum the number of people in the inner, middle, and outer circles to have one score for each level of closeness. To calculate the total social relationships score for each participant, sum these three numbers together.

Sources:

Antonucci, T. C. (1986). Measuring social support networks: Hierarchical mapping technique. *Generations*, 10-12.

Think of the three circles below as including people who are important in your life right now, but who are not equally close. Read the descriptions below and list the people you think fit into each circle based on how close you feel with that person..



Inner Circle: People to whom you feel so close that it is hard to imagine life without them.

Middle Circle: People to whom you may not feel quite that close but who are still important to you.

Outer Circle: People whom you haven't already mentioned but who are close enough and important enough in your life that they should be placed in your personal network.