Social Media Disorder Scale (SMD Scale)

Please answer the question by thinking of your experience with using social media (e.g., WhatsApp, SnapChat, Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, Google+, Pintrist, forums, weblogs) in past year. Answer the questions as honestly as possible. According to DSM, at least five (out of the nine) criteria must be met for a formal diagnosis of "disordered social media user".

During the past year have you...

- 1. Regularly found that you can't think of anything else but the moment you will be able to use social media again? Yes/No (Preoccupation).
- 2. Regularly felt dissatisfied because you want to spend more time on social media? Yes/No (Tolerance).
- 3. Often felt bad when you could not use social media? Yes/No (Withdrawal).
- 4. Tried to spend less time on social media, but failed? Yes/No (Persistence).
- 5. Regularly neglected other activities (i.e. hobbies, sports, homework) because you wanted to use social media?
 Yes/No (Displacement).
- 6. Regularly had arguments with others because of your social media use? Yes/No (Problems).
- 7. Regularly led to your parents or friends about the amount of time you spend on social media? Yes/No (Deception).
- 8. Often used social media to escape from negative feelings? Yes/No (Escape).

9. Had serious conflict with parents, brother, sister (friends, relationships etc.) because of your social media use? Yes/No (Conflict).

9-item scale measures adolescents degress of addiction to social media. Based on scale from Internet Gaming Disorder found in the DSM-V, for preoccupation, tolerance, escape, persistence, withdrawal, conflict, problems, deception, and displacement. (n= 724), reliability good.

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