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The selected references were chosen to support the primary goal of the IRPEC project, which is to *strengthen the research capabilities of international centers in order to enable them to measure the impact of their rehabilitation interventions on the functioning and well-being of torture survivors*. (See IRPEC Project Summary at the end of the bibliography.)

While the field of torture rehabilitation research is still in its infancy, the following bibliography is intended to be a useful aid for torture rehabilitation centers interested in strengthening their research and program evaluation capabilities. It is a constantly evolving product that will continue to expand throughout the duration of the project.

The citations are separated into six main categories: 1) Existing Studies on Torture and Refugee Trauma, 2) Research Methods, 3) Program Evaluation Methods, 4) Torture: Symptoms and Consequence, 5) The Rehabilitation of Torture Survivors, 6) War Trauma and Refugees. (For a further listing, please refer to the table of contents.)

Please also note the “*Table of Measures Used in Tortured, War Traumatized and Refugee Populations*” as an important addendum to this bibliography. This table represents an inventory of instruments for assessing psychological symptoms and quality of life that appear in published studies and have been used with the above mentioned populations. It is in a user-friendly format for quick information on the various measures used. It contains a variety of information on each measure, including (when available): its history of use with different cultures, languages that it is available in, information on who developed and its availability through the published literature for use by others.

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