

## QUESTION GUIDE

for

## **CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSIONALS**

What to Ask Before Adopting a Risk Assessment Tool





## Question

## **Answer**

What outcome(s) was the tool Designed to predict?	
How far into the future was the tool designed to predict?	6 months 1 year 2 years Other
Has the tool been validated? If so, when?	
How accurate is the tool?	
Was the population this tool was created for substantially different than your target population?	
Does your jurisdiction have consensus that this tool could be used for:	Sentencing decisions  Case management decisions  Pretrial placement decisions  Jail population release decisions  Conditions of supervision  Other
Who is the appropriate research partner/consultant that can answer future questions regarding this tool?	
Is there a financial cost for using this tool?	