Description of Social support

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| Function | Promoting empowerment, well-being, social integration |
| Relevance | Convoy, social integration, community empowerment |
| Target | Elderly |
| Respondent | Elder |
| Feature | 4 items in 6-point rating scale |
| Reliability | .63 |
| References | Lou, Vivian W. Q., and K. W. Boey. 2008. *Handbook of Measures of the Chinese Elderly*. Hong Kong, China: Sau Po Centre on Ageing, University of Hong Kong. |

Scoring of Social support

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| Response | None | Seldom | Sometimes | Usually | Often | Always |
| Score for Items 1 – 3 | 0 | 20 | 40 | 60 | 80 | 100 |
|  | Living alone | Live with someone who has no kinship (like a babysitter) | Live with family, relatives or friends | Live with your spouse |
| Score for Item 4 | 0 | 33.3 | 66.7 | 100 |

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| Scale score: average of item scores | Action |
| 70-100 | Appreciation |
| 30-70 | Some concern for promotion |
| 0-30 | Great concern for promotion |