

Px270401 Phenx Health Literacy

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Short Assessment of Health Literacy-English (SAHL-E)

Directions to the Interviewer:

1. Ask the PPT to open the "Phenx Health Literacy for Participant" survey (and if remote, make sure the PPT stops at the first page and lets the RA know when they have the survey open).

2. When the PPT has the survey successfully open in front of them, but before they hit "Next Page", the interviewer should say to the PPT:

"When you hit 'Next Page', you'll see a large word at the top with a yellow background and two words underneath. First, I'd like you to read the top word out loud. Next, I'll read the two words underneath, and I'd like you to tell me which of those two words is more similar to (or has a closer association with) the top word. If you don't know, please say 'I don't know'. Do not guess."

3. The interviewer should say to the PPT:

"You can now hit next page. Please, read the first word with a yellow background out loud."

4. The interviewer will record the PPT's answers directly in this REDCap form (Px270401 Phenx Health Literacy). The computer should be set up such that the PPT cannot see or be distracted by the scoring procedure.

5. The interviewer will then read the key and distracter (the Multiple Choice options per question) and then say:

"Which of the two words is most similar to the first word? If you don't know the answer, please say 'I don't know'."

6. The interviewer may repeat the instructions so that the PPT feels comfortable with the procedure.

7. Continue the test with the rest of the words.

8. A correct answer for each test item is determined by both correct pronunciation and accurate association. Each correct answer gets one point. A score between 0 and 14 suggests the PPT has low health literacy.

9. Once the PPT gets to the "Close Survey" page, the RA will now read the final question and answer options out loud to the PPT. Record the PPT's answer on the Px270401 Phenx Health Literacy REDCap form.

Between (option 1) and (option 2), which of the two words is most similar to the top word? If you don't know the answer, please say 'I don't know'.

Kidney

"minor variation" includes emphasizing a different syllable than is typical or a variation on the word (e.g., direction instead of directed; diagnoses instead of diagnosis)

Kidney

- ☐ Urine
☐ Fever
☐ Don't know

Kidney Score

Occupation

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Occupation

- ☐ Work
☐ Education
☐ Don't know

Occupation Score

Medication

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Medication

- ☐ Instrument
☐ Treatment
☐ Don't know

medication Score

Nutrition

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Nutrition

- ☐ Healthy
☐ Soda
☐ Don't know

Nutrition Score

Miscarriage

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Miscarriage

- ☐ Loss
☐ Marriage
☐ Don't know

miscarriage Score

Infection

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Infection

- ☐ Plant
- ☐ Virus
- ☐ Don't know

Infection Score

Alcoholism

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Alcoholism

- ☐ Addiction
- ☐ Recreation
- ☐ Don't know

alcoholism Score

Pregnancy

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Pregnancy

- ☐ Birth
- ☐ Childhood
- ☐ Don't know

pregnancy Score

Seizure

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Seizure

- ☐ Dizzy
☐ Calm
☐ Don't know

seizure Score

Dose

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Dose

- ☐ Sleep
☐ Amount
☐ Don't know

dose Score

Hormones

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Hormones

- ☐ Growth
☐ Harmony
☐ Don't know

hormones Score

Abnormal

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Abnormal

- ☐ Different
☐ Similar
☐ Don't know

abnormal Score

Directed

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Directed

- ☐ Instruction
☐ Decision
☐ Don't know

directed Score

Nerves

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Nerves

- ☐ Bored
☐ Anxiety
☐ Don't know

nerves Score

Constipation

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Constipation

- ☐ Blocked
☐ Loose
☐ Don't know

constipation Score

Diagnosis

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Diagnosis

- ☐ Evaluation
☐ Recovery
☐ Don't know

diagnosis Score

Hemorrhoids

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Hemorrhoids

- ☐ Veins
☐ Heart
☐ Don't know

hemorrhoids Score

Syphilis

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Syphilis

- ☐ Contraception
- ☐ Condom
- ☐ Don't know

syphilis Score

How confident are you filling out medical forms by yourself? (Read the answer options out loud)

- ☐ Extremely
- ☐ Quite a bit
- ☐ Somewhat
- ☐ A little bit
- ☐ Not at all

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PhenX Toolkit Link: <https://www.phenxtoolkit.org/protocols/view/270402>

SAHL Scoring

(Final Question Only)

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