

BACK PAIN QUESTIONNAIRE

1. General

This questionnaire should be administered to all African American participants during the Year 12 examination, whether Year 12 eligible or not. The data collected on this questionnaire is needed for the supplemental grant to study the prevalence and correlates of spine fractures in elderly African American women.

Some of the questions are framed "SINCE YOUR LAST VISIT". We are trying to target the time period between visit 6 and Year 12.

2. Missing data

1. Draw a slash lengthwise through questions and conditional boxes that are NOT APPLICABLE (for example, questions that should be skipped because of the response to a stem question).
2. For questions where the answer is "don't know" or the participant is not able to answer the question, and there is not a "don't know" box to check, write DON'T KNOW across the question in large letters.
3. When a participant refuses to answer a question, write REFUSED in large letters across the question.

3. Specific Questions for Year 12 Back Pain questionnaire, Version 7.1

The first two questions (Q1-2) refer to back pain SINCE THE LAST VISIT (V6).

Record the information according to the above instructions.

The remaining questions (Q3-14) refer to CURRENT difficulty performing various tasks.

For each question answered 'Yes', ask how much difficulty participant has completing the task and whether the difficulty is due to pack pain or back problems. Record the responses in the appropriate boxes.

It is permissible to a respondent to indicate "Yes", they have difficulty AND "I don't do it". In this case, be sure to ask the follow-up questions on degree of difficulty.