Appendix 1. Activity Assessment Scale With Description of Scoring

Activity Assessment Scale (AAS) consists of 13 questions that will be summarized.

	How much difficulty did you have performing the following activities in the last 24 hours?						
		No difficulty	A little difficulty	Some difficulty	A lot difficulty	Not able to do it	Did not do it for other reasons
)	Lying in bed	0	0	0	0	0	0
)	Sitting	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Getting in or out of bed or chair	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Reaching or stretching	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Lifting 3 to 5 pounds	0	0	0	0	0	0000
	Walking around inside	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Climbing up or down stairs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Walking outside or at work	0	0	0	0	0	0
)	Engaging in sedentary activities such as typing, talking on the phone, playing cards or watching tv	0	0	0	0	0	0
))	Engaging in light activities such as cooking, dusting, clerical work or visiting friend	0	0	0	0	0	0
L)	Engaging in moderate physical activities, such as sweeping, washing the car, dancing or playing golf	0	0	0	0	0	0
2)	Engaging in vigorous activities such as construction work, shoveling, playing tennis or basketball, weight lifting	0	0	0	0	0	0
3)	Engaging in sexual intercourse	0	0	0	0	0	0

The overall AAS score will be calculated as follows:

- 1) Answers of 1=No difficulty, through 5=Not able to do it, will be summed across questions 1-13. Answers of 6=Did not do it for other reasons, will not be included in the sum.
- 2) The mean will be calculated by dividing the sum from step 1 by the number of answers contributing to the sum.
- 3) The mean from step 2 will be multiplied by 13. The result will be the raw score.
- 4) The raw score will be scaled from 0 to 100 using the following formula:
- 5) (65 raw score)/52 x 100. Note: 65 is the maximum raw score, and 52 is the range of possible scores (65-13=52).

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6) If more than 6 questions out of 13 did not contribute to the sum in step 1, then the overall AAS score will be set to missing.

Three subscales will be conducting using the following steps:

- 1) Answers of 1=No difficulty, through 5=Not able to do it, will be summed across the questions included in the subscale (see below). Answers of 6=Did not do it for other reasons, will not be included in the sum.
- 2) The mean will be calculated by dividing the sum from step 1 by the number of answers contributing to the sum.
- 3) The mean from step 2 will be multiplied by the number of questions in the subscale (3 for the ambulatory subscale, or 4 for the sedentary activities and work/exercise subscales).
- 4) The raw score will be scaled from 0 to (number of subscale items*100/11) using the following formulas. Note: 11 is the total number of items contributing to the 3 subscales, and the subscales will sum to a maximum of 100 points.
- 5) 3-item subscale: (15-raw score)/12 x 3x100/11. Note: 15 is the maximum raw score, and 12 is the range of possible scores.
- 6) 4-item subscale: (20-raw score)/16 x 4x100/11. Note: 20 is the maximum raw score, and 16 is the range of possible scores.

Subscales:

Sedentary Activities subscale: items 1-4 (4 items) Ambulatory Activities subscale: items 6-8 (3 items) Work/Exercise Activities subscale: items 10-13 (4 items)

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