SDC1. Scenario Options

Scenario 1

Please imagine your mother has to have breast cancer surgery with a plastic surgeon. Please read the description of the surgeon and then answer a few questions.

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Scenario 3

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Scenario 5

Please imagine your mother has to have surgery with a plastic surgeon to reconstruct her leg after being in a car accident. Please read the description of the surgeon and then answer a few questions.

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Scenario 7

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Scenario 8

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After reviewing one of eight randomly-assigned scenarios, respondents answer the following questions using a Likert scale (Strongly disagree / Disagree / Neither Agree nor Disagree / Agree / Strongly Agree):

This surgeon is competent;

This surgeon has the necessary skills for the job;

I would like this surgeon;

I would respect this surgeon;

This surgeon has leadership qualities;

I would choose Dr. Jones to perform this surgery; and

Dr. Jones would be likely to tell me about a possible error that occurred during surgery.