Patient's Name_____ Date_____

NECK DISABILITY INDEX

This questionnaire has been designed to give the doctor information as to how your neck pain has affected your ability to manage in everyday life. **Please answer every section and mark in each section only ONE box** which applies to you. We realize you may consider that two of the statements in any one section relate to you, but **please just mark the box which MOST CLOSELY describes your problem.**

Section 1 - Pain Intensity

☐ I have no pain at the moment.
☐ The pain is very mild at the moment.
☐ The pain is moderate at the moment.
☐ The pain is fairly severe at the moment.
☐ The pain is very severe at the moment.
☐ The pain is the worst imaginable at the moment.

Section 2 -- Personal Care (Washing, Dressing, etc.)

☐ I can look after myself normally without causing extra pain.
☐ I can look after myself normally but it causes extra pain.
☐ It is painful to look after myself and I am slow and careful.
☐ I need some help but manage most of my personal care.
☐ I need help every day in most aspects of self care.
☐ I do not get dressed, I wash with difficulty and stay in bed.

Section 3 – Lifting

☐ I can lift heavy weights without extra pain.
☐ I can lift heavy weights but it gives extra pain.
☐ Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights off the floor, but I can manage if they are conveniently positioned, for example on a table.
☐ Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights, but I can manage light to medium weights if they are conveniently positioned.
☐ I can lift very light weights.
☐ I cannot lift or carry anything at all.

Section 4 – Reading

☐ I can read as much as I want to with no pain in my neck.
☐ I can read as much as I want to with slight pain in my neck.
☐ I can read as much as I want with moderate pain.
☐ I can't read as much as I want because of moderate pain in my neck.
☐ I can hardly read at all because of severe pain in my neck.
☐ I cannot read at all.

Section 5-Headaches

☐ I have no headaches at all.
☐ I have slight headaches which come infrequently.
☐ I have slight headaches which come frequently.
☐ I have moderate headaches which come infrequently.
☐ I have severe headaches which come frequently.
☐ I have headaches almost all the time.

Scoring: Questions are scored on a vertical scale of 0-5. Total scores and multiply by 2. Divide by number of sections answered multiplied by 10. A score of 22% or more is considered a significant activities of daily living disability.
(Score___ x 2) / (____Sections x 10) = _____ %ADL_____

Section 6 – Concentration

☐ I can concentrate fully when I want to with no difficulty.
☐ I can concentrate fully when I want to with slight difficulty.
☐ I have a fair degree of difficulty in concentrating when I want to.
☐ I have a lot of difficulty in concentrating when I want to.
☐ I have a great deal of difficulty in concentrating when I want to.
☐ I cannot concentrate at all.

Section 7—Work

☐ I can do as much work as I want to.
☐ I can only do my usual work, but no more.
☐ I can do most of my usual work, but no more.
☐ I cannot do my usual work.
☐ I can hardly do any work at all.
☐ I can't do any work at all.

Section 8 – Driving

☐ I drive my car without any neck pain.
☐ I can drive my car as long as I want with slight pain in my neck.
☐ I can drive my car as long as I want with moderate pain in my neck.
☐ I can't drive my car as long as I want because of moderate pain in my neck.
☐ I can hardly drive my car at all because of severe pain in my neck.
☐ I can't drive my car at all.

Section 9 – Sleeping

☐ I have no trouble sleeping.
☐ My sleep is slightly disturbed (less than 1 hr. sleepless).
☐ My sleep is moderately disturbed (1-2 hrs. sleepless).
☐ My sleep is moderately disturbed (2-3 hrs. sleepless).
☐ My sleep is greatly disturbed (3-4 hrs. sleepless).
☐ My sleep is completely disturbed (5-7 hrs. sleepless).

Section 10 – Recreation

☐ I am able to engage in all my recreation activities with no neck pain at all.
☐ I am able to engage in all my recreation activities, with some pain in my neck.
☐ I am able to engage in most, but not all of my usual recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
☐ I am able to engage in a few of my usual recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
☐ I can hardly do any recreation activities because of pain in my neck.
☐ I can't do any recreation activities at all.

Comments_____
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