

# Rockwood Quality of Life with Faecal Incontinence (FIQL score)

Date of Evaluation: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / 20\_\_\_\_

Patient ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Follow-up:

Baseline ☐

Post optimization ☐

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Lifestyle \_\_\_\_\_

Coping/Behaviour \_\_\_\_\_

Depression/Self Perception \_\_\_\_\_

Embarrassment \_\_\_\_\_

**1. In general, would you say your health is:**

Excellent ☐

Very Good ☐

Good ☐

Fair ☐

Poor ☐

**2. For each of the items, please indicate how much of the time the issue is a concern for you DUE TO ACCIDENTAL BOWEL LEAKAGE.**

*(If it is a concern for you for reasons other than accidental bowel leakage then check N/A).*

**1 = Most of the time    2 = Some of the time    3 = A little of the time    4 = None of the time**

a. I am afraid to go out ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

b. I avoid visiting friends ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

c. I avoid staying overnight away from home ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

d. It is difficult for me to get out and do things like going to a movie or to church  
☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

e. I cut down on how much I eat before I go out ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

f. Whenever I am away from home, I try to stay near a restroom as much as possible  
☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

g. It is important to plan my schedule (daily activities) around my bowel pattern  
☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

h. I avoid traveling ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

i. I worry about not being able to get to the toilet in time  
☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

j. I feel I have no control over my bowels ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

k. I can't hold bowel movement long enough to get to the bathroom  
☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

l. I leak stool without even knowing it ☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

m. I try to prevent bowel accidents by staying very near a bathroom  
☐ 1    ☐ 2    ☐ 3    ☐ 4    ☐ N/A

**3. DUE TO ACCIDENTAL BOWEL LEAKAGE, indicate the extent to which you AGREE or DISAGREE with each of the following items.**

(If it is a concern for you for reasons other than accidental bowel leakage then check N/A)

**1 = Most of the time    2 = Some of the time    3 = A little of the time    4 = None of the time**

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| a. I feel ashamed                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| b. I can not do many of the things I want to do                               | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| c. I worry about bowel accidents                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| d. I feel depressed                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| e. I worry about others smelling stool on me                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| f. I feel like I am not a healthy person                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| g. I enjoy life less                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| h. I have sex less often than I would like to                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| i. I feel different from other people                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| j. The possibility of bowel accidents is always on my mind                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| k. I am afraid to have sex                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| l. I avoid traveling by plane or train                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| m. I avoid going out to eat                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| n. Whenever I go someplace new, I specifically locate where the bathrooms are | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |

**4. During the past month, have you felt sad, discouraged, hopeless, or had so many problems that you wondered if anything was worthwhile?**

- ☐ Extremely so – To the point that I have just about given up
- ☐ Very much so
- ☐ Quite a bit
- ☐ Some – Enough to bother me
- ☐ A little bit
- ☐ Not at all

**Scale Scoring**

Scales range from 1 to 5, with a 1 indicating a lower functional status of quality of life. Scale scores are the average (mean) response to all items in the scale (e.g., add the responses to all questions in a scale together and then divide by the number of items in the scale. Not Apply is coded as a missing value in the analysis for all questions.)

Scale 1. Lifestyle, ten items: Q2a Q2b Q2c Q2d Q2e Q2g Q2h Q3b Q3i Q3m

Scale 2. Coping/Behaviour, nine items: Q2f Q2i Q2j Q2k Q2m Q3d Q3h Q3j Q3n

Scale 3. Depression/Self Perception, seven items: Q1 Q3d Q3f Q3g Q3i Q3k Q4, (Question 1 is reverse coded.)

Scale 4. Embarrassment, three items: Q21 Q3a Q3e