

Appendix A

Hospice Comfort Questionnaire (Patient)

Date _____

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Thank you *very much* for helping us in the study of hospice nursing. Below are statements that pertain to your comfort right now. Six numbers are provided for each question; please circle the number you think most closely matches your feeling. Relate these questions to your comfort *at the moment you are answering the questions*.

	Strongly Disagree						Strongly Agree						
	1	2	3	4	5	6		1	2	3	4	5	6
1. My body is relaxed right now	1	2	3	4	5	6	28. I'm okay with my personal relationships	1	2	3	4	5	6
2. My breathing is difficult	1	2	3	4	5	6	29. I can rise above my pain	1	2	3	4	5	6
3. I have enough privacy	1	2	3	4	5	6	30. The mood around here is depressing	1	2	3	4	5	6
4. There are those I can depend on when I need help	1	2	3	4	5	6	31. I am at ease physically	1	2	3	4	5	6
5. I feel bloated	1	2	3	4	5	6	32. This chair (bed) makes me hurt	1	2	3	4	5	6
6. I worry about my family	1	2	3	4	5	6	33. This view inspires me	1	2	3	4	5	6
7. My beliefs give me peace of mind	1	2	3	4	5	6	34. I think about my discomforts constantly	1	2	3	4	5	6
8. My nurse(s) give me hope	1	2	3	4	5	6	35. I feel confident spiritually	1	2	3	4	5	6
9. My life is worthwhile right now	1	2	3	4	5	6	36. I feel good enough to do some things for myself	1	2	3	4	5	6
10. I know that I am loved	1	2	3	4	5	6	37. My friends remember me with their cards and phone calls	1	2	3	4	5	6
11. These surroundings are pleasant	1	2	3	4	5	6	38. I feel out of place here	1	2	3	4	5	6
12. I have difficulty resting	1	2	3	4	5	6	39. I need to be better informed about my condition	1	2	3	4	5	6
13. No one understands me	1	2	3	4	5	6	40. I feel helpless	1	2	3	4	5	6
14. My pain is difficult to endure	1	2	3	4	5	6	41. My God is helping me	1	2	3	4	5	6
15. I feel peaceful	1	2	3	4	5	6	42. This room smells fresh	1	2	3	4	5	6
16. I sleep soundly	1	2	3	4	5	6	43. I feel lonely	1	2	3	4	5	6
17. I feel guilty	1	2	3	4	5	6	44. I am able to tell people what I need	1	2	3	4	5	6
18. I like being here	1	2	3	4	5	6	45. I am depressed	1	2	3	4	5	6
19. I am nauseated	1	2	3	4	5	6	46. I have found meaning in my life	1	2	3	4	5	6
20. I am able to communicate with my loved ones	1	2	3	4	5	6	47. In retrospect, I've had a good life	1	2	3	4	5	6
21. This room makes me feel scared	1	2	3	4	5	6	48. My loved ones' state of mind makes me feel sad	1	2	3	4	5	6
22. I am afraid of what is next	1	2	3	4	5	6	49. The temperature in this room is fine	1	2	3	4	5	6
23. I have special person(s) who make(s) me feel cared for	1	2	3	4	5	6							
24. I have experienced changes which make me feel uneasy	1	2	3	4	5	6							
25. I like my room to be quiet	1	2	3	4	5	6							
26. I would like to see my doctor more often	1	2	3	4	5	6							
27. My mouth and skin feel very dry	1	2	3	4	5	6							

Are there any other questions you wished we had asked?