NOTES TO ACCOMPANY THE FMPI-sf/CLINICAL METROLOGY INSTRUMENT

Conditions of use:

- The FMPI-sf is designed as a Clinical Metrology Instrument (Questionnaire) for the assessment of Feline Musculoskeletal Pain. It can be used in clinical research studies, and also by practitioners for individual case assessment.
- Use of this questionnaire in a commercial setting (e.g. company funded clinical trials) requires the permission for use of the FMPI-sf under license from North Carolina State University.
- The FMPI-sf will be acknowledged in any publication or report by citing the appropriate reference.
- The FMPI-sf will be used only in the form presented here, and the format, wording and order of the questions and responses will not be changed.
- The FMPI-sf must not be given to others.
- The FMPI-sf must not be sold in any form.

The FMPI-sf is a questionnaire that has been designed through testing for readability, reliability and discriminatory ability. Validity is a never-ending process, and further validity testing is ongoing.

Instructions:

1. The following instructions should be read to owners by the operator each time the FMPI-sf is administered:
   “This questionnaire asks you questions about your cat’s ability to do various activities. Please read the questions and carefully check or fill in the appropriate circle. Owners should be encouraged to answer all questions at every evaluation.

2. Upon completion of the questionnaire, the owner should return the questionnaire to the administrator.

3. FMPI-sf scores are calculated by assigning whole integer scores from 0 to 4 to each question 1-9. Scores are assigned with 0 representing the option on the furthest left of the scale (the least affected option) and 4 representing the option on the furthest right of the scale (the most affected option).

4. The total FMPI-sf score is the mean score per question (total score/number of questions answered). Higher totals indicate more impairment.

5. If repeat FMPI-sf scores are acquired from an individual owner, they should not see their previous scores or responses prior to completing the questionnaire.

We welcome feedback on the FMPI-sf. Please contact Dr. Duncan Lascelles using: dxlascel@ncsu.edu

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FELINE MUSCULOSKELETAL PAIN INDEX – short form

Please take some time to complete the following questions. Please mark the circle that best describes your cat’s ability to perform the following activities.

1. Jump up?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

2. Jump up to kitchen-counter height in one try?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

3. Jump down (how well and how easily)?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

4. Play with toys and/or chase objects?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

5. Play and interact with other pets?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

6. Get up from a resting position?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

7. Lie and/or sit down?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

8. Stretch?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all

9. Groom himself or herself?
   - Normal
   - Not quite normal
   - Somewhat worse than normal
   - Barely, or with great effort
   - Not at all