Additional files

Additional file 1 - Frailty Instruments: Overview of all items

The Groningen Frailty Indicator (GFI)

Physical components

Are you able to carry out these tasks single-handedly and without any help? (The use of help resources such as a walking stick, walking frame or wheelchair is considered to be independent.)

- 1. Shopping
- 2. Walking around outside (around the house or to the neighbours)
- 3. Dressing and undressing
- 4. Going to the toilet
- 5. What mark do you give yourself for physical fitness? (scale 0 to 10)
- 6. Do you experience problems in daily life due to poor vision?
- 7. Do you experience problems in daily life due to being hard of hearing?
- During the last 6 months have you lost a lot of weight unwillingly? (3 kg in 1 month or 6 kg in 2 months)
- 9. Do you take 4 or more different types of medicine?

Cognitive component

10. Do you have any complaints about your memory?

Social component

- 11. Do you sometimes experience emptiness around yourself?
- 12. Do you sometimes miss people around yourself?
- 13. Do you sometimes feel abandoned?

Psychological component

- 14. Have you recently felt downhearted or sad?
- 15. Have you recently felt nervous or anxious?

Scoring:

Questions 1-4: Yes = 0; No = 1 Question 5: 0-6 = 1; 7-10 = 0 Questions 6-9: No = 0; Yes = 1 Question 10: No = 0; Sometimes = 0; Yes = 1 Questions 11-15: No = 0; Sometimes = 1; Yes = 1

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The Tilburg Frailty Indicator (TFI) (2nd subscale)

Physical component

- 1. Do you feel healthy?
- Have you lost a lot of weight recently without wishing to do so? ('A lot' is 6 kg or more during the last six months or 3 kg or more during the last month.)

Do you experience problems in your daily life due to:

- 3. Difficulty in walking?
- 4. Difficulty with maintaining your balance?
- 5. Poor hearing?
- 6. Poor vision?
- 7. Lack of strength in your hands?
- 8. Physical tiredness?

Psychological component

- 9. Do you have problems with your memory?
- 10. Have you felt down during the last month?
- 11. Have you felt nervous or anxious during the last month?
- 12. Are you able to cope with problems well?

Social component

- 13. Do you live alone?
- 14. Do you sometimes wish you had more people around you?
- 15. Do you receive enough support from other people?

Scoring:

Question 1: Yes = 0; No = 1 Questions 2-8: No = 0; Yes = 1 Question 9: No = 0; Sometimes = 0; Yes = 1 Questions 10-11: No = 0; Sometimes = 1; Yes = 1 Question 12: No = 1; Yes = 0 Question 13: No = 0; Yes = 1 Question 14: No = 0; Sometimes = 1; Yes = 1 Question 15: Yes = 0; No = 1 1

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- 1. Do you live alone?
- 2. Do you take more than three different medications every day?
- 3. Do you regularly use a cane, a walker or a wheelchair to move about?
- 4. Do you see well?
- 5. Do you hear well?
- 6. Do you have problems with your memory?

Scoring:

Question 1: Yes = 0; No = 1 Questions 2-3: No = 0; Yes = 1 Questions 4-5: Yes = 0; No = 1 Question 6: No = 0; Yes = 1 0

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