Additional file 2 Sample items of the SAHL-D comprehension test (translated from Dutch) Correct alternatives are in bold font; the 'related' distractor is underlined.

Orthodontics

- a. Specialty concerned with irregularities in the teeth
- b. Specialty concerned with the prevention of cavities in teeth
- c. Specialty concerned with jaw surgery
- d. I do not know

Psoriasis

- a. Disease leading to red dry spots on the skin
- b. Brown spots, especially on the face
- c. Dry skin because of a lack of sebaceous glands
- d. I do not know