

**Additional file 1: English version of the final HBSO**

**Health behavior scale for older adults living alone receiving public assistance (HBSO)**

Evaluation

0: Disagree      1: Disagree to a certain extent      2: Agree to a certain extent      3: Agree

No.	Domain & Item	Evaluation			
<b>Self-perception of personal power</b>					
1	I have places where I can relax besides home.	0	1	2	3
2	I have someone that I can talk to comfortably if I need to.	0	1	2	3
3	I have my own ways to distract or change my mind.	0	1	2	3
4	I spend my time trying to help others even in a small way.	0	1	2	3
5	I have goals and hopes for the future of my life.	0	1	2	3
<b>Practical skills for daily health</b>					
6	I make sure to brush my teeth after every meal.	0	1	2	3
7	I choose foods by checking information such as nutritional value, salt and calories.	0	1	2	3
8	I wash my hands and gargle regularly to protect against infection.	0	1	2	3
9	I gather information that helps me stay healthy from articles, TV programs and others.	0	1	2	3
10	When I have dental problems, I do not leave them and go to see the dentist as soon as possible.	0	1	2	3
<b>No.1-10 total</b>		<b>point</b>			

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