## **Initial Participant Pool**

(n = 2,723)

Rheumatoid arthritis and osteoarthritis participants (1,496) and participants from two healthy aging studies (n = 994), and ultra-marathoners (n = 203) who responded to an invitation and nursing home residents (n = 30) interviewed at the nursing home

## Group 1 Ceiling Item Group (n = 845)

Participants with disability scores of 0.025 or lower

(n = 632) or ultramarathoners

(n = 203)

## Group 2 Floor Item Group

(n = 893) Participants with

disability scores of 1.0

or higher (n = 863) or nursing home

residents (n = 30)

## Group 3

**Intermediate Group** (n = 985)

Participants with disability scores from 0 to 3.