Attitudes Toward Health Care Teams Scale


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Brief Description of Instrument - Evaluates the impact of teamwork training.

Scale Format - 6-point Likert rating scale: strongly agree=5, moderately agree=4, somewhat agree=3, somewhat disagree=2, moderately disagree=1, to strongly disagree=0.

21 items.

Administration Technique - Self-administered questionnaire.

Scoring and Interpretation - Sum item scores to obtain subscale score. Some items require reverse coding.

Factors and Norms - Two factors identified through factor analysis: quality of care/process which measures team member's perceptions of quality of care and quality of team work and physician centrality which measures team member's attitudes toward physician authority and their control over patient information.

Test-retest Reliability - After 6 week interval r=0.71 (p<0.001) for quality of care, physician centrality r = 0.36, p = 0.05.

Internal Consistency – Cronbach’s alpha, quality of care subscale = 0.83, physician centrality subscale = 0.68.
Construct Validity - Quality of care scale correlated as expected with the "nurse section" of the Collaborative Practice Scale and with measures of team members' perceptions about their own teamwork, but not physician centrality. Differences found between different health professional groups for physician centrality scale. Please see article for more details.

Criterion-Related Validity - Correlated as expected with a semantically different measure of attitudes toward health care teams. Please see article for more details.

Content & Face Validity - Items developed from review of similar instruments and focus group findings. Scale refined by expert review and 2 phases of pilot testing. Content validity measured at 0.95 by Content Validity Index, please see publication for more details.

Strengths - Demonstrated reliability and validity.


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