

# Measures of Hip Function and Symptoms

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## INTRODUCTION

Accurate measurements of hip outcomes and function are vital in the study of hip pathology. Additionally, outcome measures can also be used in the clinical realm to track progress of treatment. Several outcome measures have been developed in an effort to accurately assess hip symptoms and function. A 2011 review of the most commonly used hip outcome scores was previously published in this journal (1). Since then, a number of additional studies focusing on these outcome scores have been published to further refine our knowledge and potential utility of hip outcome scores. The purpose of this review is to provide updated information regarding the most commonly used hip outcome scores, which include the Harris Hip Score (HHS), the Hip Disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score (HOOS), the Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System (PROMIS), the Oxford Hip Score (OHS), the Lequesne Index of Severity for Osteoarthritis of the Hip (LISOH), the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) Hip and Knee Questionnaire, and the Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC). Table 1 provides information on practical applications of these scores. Table 2 provides a summary of the psychometric properties of the included hip outcome scores.

## HARRIS HIP SCORE

### Description

**Purpose.** The HHS was initially developed for the assessment of the results of hip surgery, specifically mold arthroplasties for posttraumatic osteoarthritis of the hip, in 1969 (2). It is now intended to evaluate various hip disabilities and methods of treatment in the adult population.

**Content.** The original HHS covers pain, function, absence of deformity, and range of motion. The pain domain measures pain severity and its effect on activities and need for pain medication. The function domain assesses daily activities (stair use, using public transportation, sitting, and managing shoes and socks) and

gait. Deformity evaluates hip flexion, adduction, internal rotation, and extremity length discrepancy. Range of motion measures hip flexion, abduction, external and internal rotation, and adduction.

A modified version is also now available that only assesses the pain and function components of the HHS (3,4).

**Number of items.** In the original HHS, there are 10 items. In the modified HHS, there are eight items.

**Response options/scale.** The original HHS has a maximum of 100 points (best possible outcome) covering pain (one item, 0–44 points), function (seven items, 0–47 points), absence of deformity (one item, 4 points), and range of motion (two items, 5 points). The modified HHS only includes pain and function, so it has a maximum of 91 points; however, the score is multiplied by 1.1 to get a maximum of 100.

**Recall period for items.** Not described.

**Cost to use.** Free.

**How to obtain.** The HHS is available in the original article (2) and at <http://www.orthopaedicscore.com/>. The modified HHS can be obtained by only completing the pain and function components and then multiplying the score by 1.1.

### Practical application

**Method of administration.** The HHS is a clinician-based outcome measure administered by a qualified health care professional, such as a physician or a physical therapist. The modified HHS is a self-administered instrument.

**Scoring.** Each item has a unique numerical scale that corresponds to descriptive response options. The number of response options as well as the number of points assigned varies by each item. In the original HHS, the range of motion item consists of six motions graded. Each range of motion factor is assigned an

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index factor and a maximum possible value. These points are added and multiplied by 0.05 to receive the total points for range of motion. The total score is calculated by summing the scores for the four domains. The modified HHS is calculated by summing the pain and function components of the scale and multiplying by 1.1.

**Score interpretation.** Both the HHS and modified HHS have a maximum of 100 points. The higher the HHS, the less dysfunction. Scores below 70 are typically considered a poor result. A score of 70 to 80 is considered fair, 80 to 90 is considered good, and 90 to 100 is considered excellent (2). Pain and function are the major score contributors, with 44 points possible for pain and 47 points possible for function (14 for activities of daily living and 33 for gait). Range of motion has a maximum of 5 points, and deformity has a maximum of 4 points.

**Respondent time to complete.** The HHS takes approximately 5 minutes to complete.

**Administrative burden.** No formal training is necessary to administer the HHS.

**Translations/adaptations.** The HHS has been used internationally (United States, Canada, Sweden, Europe, etc), but there are no validated versions in other languages.

## Psychometric information

**Floor and ceiling effects.** Unacceptable ceiling effects for the HHS were reported in 31 of 59 studies (5). Pooled data across studies ( $n = 6667$  patients) suggested ceiling effects of 20% (95% confidence interval 18–22). The modified HHS had reported ceiling effects of 27.5% (6). In a population of 294 patients who underwent periacetabular osteotomy, the modified HHS had reported ceiling effects of 1% (7).

**Reliability.** For the original HHS, the test-retest reliability for the total score was excellent for physicians ( $r = 0.94$ ) and physiotherapists ( $r = 0.95$ ). Both physicians and physiotherapists had excellent test-retest reliability for pain and function ( $r = 0.93$ – $0.98$ ) (8). The interrater correlations were good to excellent in two previous studies (0.74–1.0) (8,9).

The modified HHS was shown to have excellent reliability, with Cronbach's  $\alpha$  of 0.95 and high intraclass correlation (0.91–0.95) (10).

**Validity.** The content validity of the HHS has been tested by comparisons with the WOMAC and the 36-item Short Form Health Survey (SF-36). The HHS has demonstrated no major differences when compared with these scores (8). In assessment of construct validity, the pain and function domains in the HHS have been shown to correlate with similar domains in the WOMAC, the

Nottingham Health Profile, and the SF-36 (8,11). The correlation between the HHS and SF-36 is notably strong in the physical domains and weak in the mental domains.

The modified HHS has been compared with the 12-item Short Form Health Survey (SF-12) physical and mental subscale for validity and has been shown to have poor correlation with the mental subscale but strong correlation with the physical subscale (7).

**Responsiveness.** In a study of 335 total hip arthroplasties (THAs), the HHS was found to be responsive to pain and function at the 6-month postoperative follow-up but weak at the 2-year follow-up (12). In a study of 293 periacetabular osteotomies, the modified HHS was found to be adequately responsive (7).

**Minimally important differences.** In a study assessing the HHS in femoral neck fractures 4 and 12 months postoperatively, the standardized response mean (SRM) was 0.75, which was the best in ability to detect change when compared with the Barthel Index and the EQ-5D (13). The modified HHS was shown to have the lowest minimal clinically important difference (MCID) when compared with the WOMAC and HOOS (7).

**Generalizability.** Both the HHS and the modified HHS are generalizable to adult patients with hip disabilities or undergoing hip surgeries.

**Use in clinical trials.** Both the HHS and the modified HHS have been used extensively in clinical trials involving hip pathology and treatment of different hip conditions. The HHS has been used in trials that range from assessment of treatment choice for femoral neck and intertrochanteric femur fractures to assessment of effectiveness of different injections for osteoarthritis of the hip (14–17). The HHS is also a popular tool in studies relating to THAs given the focus of the measure on pain and impaired physical function, which are the main indications for a THA (18–20). Similarly, the modified HHS is widely used in clinical trials relating to hip pathology, including injections, management of hip fractures, hip arthroscopy, and THAs (21–25). The modified HHS has the benefit in clinical trials, over the HHS, of being self-administered and not requiring a clinician for assessment.

## Critical appraisal of overall value to the rheumatology community

**Strengths.** As discussed previously, the HHS and modified HHS are both widely used in evaluating outcomes of THA given the focus on evaluation of pain and physical function (26). Additionally, the HHS and modified HHS have been shown to be appropriate for use in measurement of outcomes of intervention for treatment of femoral neck fractures, hip arthroscopy, and conservative management of hip osteoarthritis (7, 13, 27).

**Caveats and cautions.** The main criticism of the HHS is the ceiling effects, which limit its validity (5).

**Clinical usability.** The psychometric evaluation does not support interpretation of scores to make decisions for individuals.

**Research usability.** As long as the researcher is aware of the ceiling effects, both the HHS and modified HHS can be used for clinical outcome studies for a variety of hip pathologies.

## HIP DISABILITY AND OSTEOARTHRITIS OUTCOME SCORE

### Description

**Purpose.** The HOOS was developed as an adaptation of the Knee Injury and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score (KOOS), which itself is an adaptation of the WOMAC. It was created as an instrument of assessment of adult patients' opinions about their hip and hip disability. The HOOS was originally developed in 2003 and has been validated in two different versions (28).

Several variations of the HOOS have also been developed: the HOOS–Joint Replacement Short Form (HOOS-JR), the HOOS–Physical Function Short Form (HOOS-PS) (29,30), and the 12-item HOOS (HOOS-12). The HOOS-JR is a six-item instrument developed specifically for patients undergoing THA that measures the domains of pain and activities of daily living (ADLs). The HOOS-PS is a five-item measure of physical function designed to elicit patients' opinions about difficulties experienced because of their hip problems. The HOOS-12 retains the three subscores (pain, function/ADL, and quality of life [QOL]).

**Content.** The HOOS consists of five subscales: pain, other symptoms, function in ADLs, function in sport and recreation, and hip-related QOL. The HOOS-JR measures only the domains of pain and ADLs. The HOOS-PS measures physical function.

**Number of items.** The original HOOS contains 40 items total: 10 for pain, 5 for other symptoms, 17 for function in ADLs, 4 for function in sport and recreation, and 4 for hip-related QOL. The HOOS-JR contains six items total: two for pain and four for function. The HOOS-PS contains five items total, all relating to physical function. The HOOS-12 has 12 items: 4 for pain, 4 for function, and 4 for QOL.

**Response options/scale.** In the HOOS, HOOS-JR, and HOOS-PS, standardized answer options are given in five Likert boxes. Each question is scored 0 to 4. Scores are summarized and transformed onto a 0 to 100 scale. A score of 0 indicates extreme problems, and a score of 100 indicates no problems.

**Recall period for items.** The last week is taken into consideration for the questions.

**Cost to use.** Free.

**How to obtain.** The HOOS, HOOS-PS, and HOOS-12 can be obtained at [www.koos.nu](http://www.koos.nu). The HOOS-JR can be obtained at [www.aaos.org/uploadedFiles/HOOS-JR-2016.pdf](http://www.aaos.org/uploadedFiles/HOOS-JR-2016.pdf).

### Practical application

**Method of administration.** The questionnaire for all forms of the HOOS is patient reported.

**Scoring.** The manual scoring sheet is available from the above websites. Included are instructions for handling missing values. Computer scoring can increase clinical usefulness.

**Score interpretation.** Scores can range from 0 to 100, and each subscale can have scores from 0 to 100, in which 0 indicates extreme problems and 100 indicates no problems. The HOOS scores within each subscale (pain, symptoms, ADLs, sport and recreation, and QOL) can be plotted for comparison of pre- and postintervention comparison visualization.

**Respondent time to complete.** The original HOOS takes 10 to 15 minutes for a subject to complete. The HOOS-JR, HOOS-PS, and HOOS-12 all take less than 5 minutes to complete.

**Administrative burden.** There is minimal administrative burden. Hand scoring of the HOOS can take 10 to 15 minutes without additional training. Computerized scoring can automate this process for instantaneous results without further administrative need.

**Translations/adaptations.** The HOOS is available in 25 total languages, including English, French, German, Dutch, Italian, and Spanish, among others (available on [www.koos.nu](http://www.koos.nu)). A number of adaptations of the HOOS exist, including the KOOS, the KOOS for children, the Foot and Ankle Outcome Score, the Rheumatoid and Arthritis Outcome Score, the Hip and Groin Outcome Score, and the Neck Outcome Score.

### Psychometric information

**Floor and ceiling effects.** Floor and ceiling effects have been reported in different subscales within the HOOS. Floor effects have been reported to range from 4.1% to 17.8% in the sport and recreation subscale in subjects eligible for THA and patients with hip osteoarthritis (31–33). Ceiling effects have been

reported in THA in all subscales of the HOOS (31). No floor effects have been reported in the hip arthroscopy population; however, ceiling effects were reported 12 and 24 months postoperatively in the ADL and sport and recreation subscales (34).

The HOOS-JR has been shown to have low floor effects of 0.6% to 1.9% but ceiling effects of up to 37% to 46% after THA (29). Floor and ceiling effects of the HOOS-PS have only been studied in the French translation of the HOOS-PS, but no floor or ceiling effects were observed (33).

**Reliability.** The reliability of the HOOS has been examined in patients treated conservatively for hip osteoarthritis, in patients treated with THA, and in patient undergoing hip arthroscopy (28,31–34). In patients undergoing THA, the internal consistency ranged from 0.82 to 0.98 (Cronbach's  $\alpha$  coefficient), with the ADL subscale having the highest consistency of 0.94 to 0.98 (28,32,33). Test-retest reproducibility has been shown to be high in the THA population, with an intraclass correlation coefficient of 0.75 to 0.97 (28,32,33). In the hip arthroscopy population, test-retest reliability was excellent, with intraclass correlation coefficients ranging from 0.91 to 0.97 (34).

The HOOS-JR was shown to have an acceptable internal consistency, as measured by the Person Separation Index, of 0.86 (29). Test-retest reliability was not reassessed in the HOOS-JR. The HOOS-PS was shown to have an intraclass correlation coefficient of 0.86 (33).

**Validity.** HOOS content validity was performed by asking patients to rate item importance (28,31). Construct validity has been confirmed in hip osteoarthritis, THA, and hip arthroscopy studies by comparison with the SF-36, OHS, LISOH, and visual analog scale (VAS) for pain (31–34). HOOS-JR and HOOS-12 construct validity was confirmed, with high correlations with the pain and ADL domains of the HOOS as well as the pain and function domains of the WOMAC and moderate correlations with the other domains of the HOOS and WOMAC (29).

**Responsiveness.** All domains of the HOOS were found to be responsive in hip arthroscopy at the 9- and 12-month postoperative follow-up (34). In a study of patients who underwent a periacetabular osteotomy, the HOOS was found to be responsive at the 12-month follow-up (7). The HOOS-JR and HOOS-12 were found to have very high responsiveness up to 2 years postoperatively (29). The HOOS-PS was also found to have good responsiveness but was only assessed 1 month postoperatively (33).

**Minimally important differences.** The smallest detectable difference of the HOOS ranged from 9.6 in the ADL domain to 16.2 in the QOL domain (33). In hip arthroscopy, the minimal detectable change ranged from 9 in the ADL domain to 19 in the QOL domain (34).

**Generalizability.** The HOOS is generalizable to adult populations with hip ailments or undergoing hip procedures. The HOOS-JR was developed for patients undergoing THA.

**Use in clinical trials.** The HOOS has been used extensively in clinical trials relating to hip osteoarthritis and hip pathology. The HOOS is one of the more common patient-reported measures of hip function and postoperative outcomes. It has been used extensively in THA clinical studies (35–37), hip dysplasia surgery (38,39), hip arthroscopy (40), and even in development of pain management protocols after hip surgery (41). The HOOS-JR has only existed since 2016 and is intended mainly for THA, but it has been used in recent trials related to THA outcomes (42,43). The HOOS-PS has also been used in clinical trials relating to hip surgery, but it is used far less frequently than the original HOOS (18,44,45).

### Critical appraisal of overall value to the rheumatology community

**Strengths.** The HOOS can be used for younger and more active patients given the subscales and individual domains. The HOOS has shown favorable qualities in reviews of psychometric properties in assessment of patients after THA, hip arthroscopy, and periacetabular osteotomy and patients with hip osteoarthritis not undergoing surgery (7,34,46,47).

**Caveats and cautions.** The HOOS is overall well received; however, it does have ceiling effects in all domains, which are also present in the HOOS-JR (29,34).

**Clinical usability.** The HOOS can be used to observe patients with hip conditions over time in clinics. The HOOS-JR can be used in clinics that perform THA for monitoring patients.

**Research usability.** The HOOS, HOOS-JR, HOOS-12, and HOOS-PS are all usable in the research setting for hip conditions.

## PATIENT-REPORTED OUTCOMES MEASUREMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

### Description

**Purpose.** PROMIS was developed in 2004 by the National Institutes of Health for use in clinical care and medical research (48). This system was intended to be used across multiple specialties and was intended to be publicly available, precise, and flexible.

**Content.** The PROMIS adult profile covers three domains: physical health, mental health, and social health. Within each of these domains are more specific profile domains. Profile domains under physical health include fatigue, pain intensity, pain interfer-

ence, physical function, and sleep disturbance. Profile domains under mental health include anxiety and depression. Within orthopedics, the PROMIS physical function, pain interference, and depression domains have been most commonly used (49–53).

**Number of items.** There are multiple options of measures within PROMIS, which can vary in the number of items. The short forms are a fixed set of 4 to 10 items for one individual domain. Computer adaptive tests (CATs) provide items selected dynamically from an item bank based on the subject's previous answers. The CATs are usually 4 to 12 items in length. Profiles are fixed collections of short forms from seven different domains. Several versions of PROMIS profiles exist, ranging from four to eight questions per domain.

**Response options/scale.** PROMIS uses a T-score metric; 50 is designed to be the mean of the population, and 10 is 1 SD of the population. Therefore, a score of 60 would indicate that the subject is 1 SD above the mean for the population within the measured domain. Response options of the questions depend on the category of the question. Pain is typically measured on a 0- to 10-point scale. Frequency-, duration-, intensity-, and capability-related questions typically have a scale of five variable options.

**Recall period for items.** Most PROMIS items use a 7-day recall period. However, typically within the physical function domain, the question is assessed in the present tense.

**Cost to use.** Free.

**How to obtain.** The different PROMIS measures can be obtained from the HealthMeasures website at [www.healthmeasures.net/explore-measurement-systems/promis](http://www.healthmeasures.net/explore-measurement-systems/promis).

## Practical application

**Method of administration.** PROMIS scales are administered via paper or computer-based forms.

**Scoring.** Scoring manuals are available on the HealthMeasures website to allow for conversion of the score to a T-score. PROMIS measures are scored on a T-score metric; 50 is designed to be the mean of the population, and 10 is 1 SD of the population. Therefore, a score of 60 would indicate that the subject is 1 SD above the mean for the population within the measured domain.

**Score interpretation.** A score of 50 indicates that the subject measures at the mean of the population in that particular metric; 1 SD is 10 points. Therefore, a score of 60 would indicate that the subject is 1 SD above the mean for the population within the measured domain.

**Respondent time to complete.** PROMIS domains relating to hip pathology typically take less than 5 to 10 minutes for the subject to complete.

**Administrative burden.** There is minimal overall administrative burden. However, the distributor must have access to the scoring manuals for interpretation of the subjects' responses.

**Translations/adaptations.** The PROMIS adult domains are available in more than 45 different languages, including English, Spanish, French, German, Dutch, and Italian.

## Psychometric information

**Floor and ceiling effects.** There has been little overall study on psychometric properties of the PROMIS score in relation to hip pathology. In a study of patients who underwent periacetabular osteotomy for symptomatic hip dysplasia, PROMIS showed no floor or ceiling effects both pre- and postoperatively (39). When studied in patients who underwent THA for symptomatic hip osteoarthritis, the PROMIS depression domain showed floor effects up to 20% preoperatively and 30% to 45% postoperatively (54). In the same study, the PROMIS pain interference domain showed no floor effects preoperatively but showed floor effects of 21% to 26% at 1 year postoperatively. No ceiling effects were observed in the depression, pain interference, or physical function scores pre- or postoperatively.

**Reliability.** Few studies have assessed the reliability of PROMIS instruments related to treatment of hip pathology. One study examining the psychometric properties of one CAT of the PROMIS (the lower-extremity CAT) compared with the modified HHS and the Hip Outcome Score showed excellent reliability, with a Cronbach's  $\alpha$  score of 1.00 (6).

**Validity.** To our knowledge, content validity of PROMIS instruments has not been evaluated specifically for hip pathology. Group validity has been assessed previously in patients with a general diagnosis of osteoarthritis but has not been assessed specifically for hip osteoarthritis (55).

**Responsiveness.** Responsiveness of PROMIS instruments for hip pathology has been evaluated in a study of patients who underwent THA. The pain interference and physical function domains were found to have high responsiveness postoperatively in patients with hip osteoarthritis after THA (54).

**Minimally important differences.** The MCID has typically been defined as 5, half of the normalized SD of reported PROMIS scores (SD 10). In a study of patients who underwent THA, 66% to 78% of patients had an MCID postoperatively in the

pain interference domain, 61% to 75% of patients had an MCID in the physical function domain, and 44% to 46% of patients had an MCID in the depression domain (54).

**Generalizability.** PROMIS scores are generalizable to adult populations with hip ailments or undergoing hip procedures. There are separate PROMIS instruments for pediatric patients.

**Use in clinical trials.** Compared with other measures of hip function and symptoms, PROMIS instruments have been used relatively less frequently in clinical trials. However, more recent studies have begun to use PROMIS instruments in assessment of outcomes related to surgical intervention for different hip pathologies. Clinical studies on outcomes after THA have used PROMIS scores for assessment of both functional outcomes and pain improvement postoperatively (56,57). PROMIS instruments have been used in clinical trials assessing baseline disability and functional performance in patients with femoroacetabular impingement (FAI) (58,59). Lastly, PROMIS scores were used in one clinical trial studying postoperative outcomes of correction of mildly dysplastic hips with periacetabular osteotomy (60).

### Critical appraisal of overall value to the rheumatology community

**Strengths.** PROMIS instruments have the benefit of adaptability to patient responses, which enables the questionnaire to be adaptable to individual patients. Additionally, PROMIS instruments are becoming more widely used in all fields of health care. Therefore, if used in hip pathology, it has the potential added benefit of easier interpretation by health care practitioners or researchers who may not be as familiar with other hip-specific outcome measures.

**Caveats and cautions.** There is a relative paucity of literature involving psychometric properties of PROMIS instruments in patients with hip pathology. Further investigation should be performed in this area. Additionally, high floor effects have been reported in a previous THA study, as mentioned previously (54).

**Clinical usability.** Although PROMIS instruments have not been extensively used in assessment of outcomes in patients with hip pathology, they can be used to follow patients both pre- and postoperatively.

**Research usability.** Further evaluation of the psychometric properties of PROMIS instruments, specifically for hip pathology, would be beneficial; however, PROMIS instruments have been used in several clinical trials involving THA, FAI, and hip dysplasia (56–60). Investigators should take note of the previously reported high floor effects in THA populations (54).

## OXFORD HIP SCORE

### Description

**Purpose.** The purpose of the OHS is to assess outcome after THA by measuring a patient's perceptions after surgery. It was originally described in 1996 and was updated in 2007 (61,62).

**Content.** The OHS assesses pain (six items) and function (six items) of the hip in relation to daily activities, such as walking, dressing, slipping, etc.

**Number of items.** The OHS has 12 items with 5 categories of response; there are no subscales.

**Response options/scale.** The original scoring system, as described by Dawson et al (61) in 1996, ranged from 1 to 5 (best to worst), with a total score of 12 to 60 (least difficulties to most difficulties). This scoring system was modified in 2007 by Murray et al (62) to new item ranges of 0 to 4 (worse to best), with total scores ranging from 0 to 48 (most difficulties to least difficulties) (62,63).

**Recall period for items.** During the past 4 weeks.

**Examples of use.** This patient-reported outcome measure (PROM) has been used in several countries in both clinical and research settings. It has been validated and used in both primary and revision hip replacements (64–75).

**How to obtain.** The OHS questionnaire is free to use and is available online at [http://www.orthopaedicscore.com/score/pages/oxford\\_hip\\_score.html](http://www.orthopaedicscore.com/score/pages/oxford_hip_score.html). Further information on the OHS and all the other Oxford orthopedic scores can be found at [https://phi.uhce.ox.ac.uk/ox\\_scores.php](https://phi.uhce.ox.ac.uk/ox_scores.php).

### Practical application

**Method of administration.** The orthopedic hip score questionnaire can be self-administered or completed over the phone (61,62,76).

**Scoring.** As previously stated, each item (12 items) contains five possible responses. According to the updated scoring system, these five responses are scored from 0 to 4 (worse to best), resulting in a possible overall score range of 0 to 48 (most difficulties to least difficulties). The maximum of two missing values can be accepted and replaced by mean values. Overall scores should not be calculated if more than two items are left unanswered. If a patient marks multiple responses for one item, the worst response should be used for calculation of scores (62).

**Score interpretation.** Categories for the OHS, based on data from the HHS and with a score range of 0 to 48, have suggested cutoff scores of greater than 41 as excellent, 34 to 41 as good, 27 to 33 as fair, and less than 27 as poor (77). More recent research has shown that a postoperative OHS of greater than 37.5 is associated with a successful outcome (78–80). Additionally, clinicians have attempted to use the OHS as a method of screening out patients who do not require total hip replacement. Neufeld and Masri (81) found that an OHS of 34 or higher was a good predictor of successful nonoperative management of hip arthritis. With use of the classification system described by Kalairajah et al (77), the OHS at 6 months is a useful predictor of early revision THA. A poor score was associated with a revision risk of 7.6%, compared with a revision risk of 0.7% in patients with good/excellent scores (67,77). Lastly, normative values were established in 2015 and published by Hamilton et al (79) for patients undergoing THA. They were able to establish normative values for male and female patients in four age categories (younger than 60, 60–70, 70–80, and older than 80) both preoperatively and 12 months after THA (79).

**Respondent burden.** The OHS takes between 2 and 15 minutes to complete. Based on patient interviews, issues have been raised regarding item clarity and double-barreled questions (82,83).

**Administrative burden.** The burden of administering the OHS is minimal. Because the OHS is a patient-reported questionnaire, the time to score is short and involves only elementary arithmetic. No specific training is required to score the OHS.

**Translations/adaptations.** The OHS has been widely used in many countries. It has been translated and validated in Japanese, Dutch, German, Turkish, Spanish, Mandarin, Italian, and Danish and with the use of an on-site translator (66,80–89). It has also been translated into French, Iranian, and Korean without the supporting validation studies (84–86). The orthopedic Oxford scores also include similar questionnaires for assessing outcome after knee replacement, shoulder replacement, elbow replacement, and ankle replacement as well as questionnaires for assessing shoulder instability.

## Psychometric information

**Method of development.** Questions were made based on patient interviews in which patients with hip arthritis were asked to report their experiences and frustrations. Patients were involved in content validity of the questionnaire (61). The OHS underwent item-response theory testing in 2004 by Fitzpatrick et al (87), and there was an overall good item fit of the data to the Rasch model.

**Acceptability.** In a 2000 study, Fitzpatrick et al (93) showed that 90% of patients filled out the questionnaire to completion. In general, older patients and patients with more severe medical problems were less likely to complete the questionnaire compared with younger and healthier patients. In their study, the most problems were recorded for the item regarding distance walked before severe pain (88,89). In one study, up to 10% of English-speaking Americans misinterpreted this item. The authors hypothesized that the use of “not at all” as an answer choice implied that the patient never had pain, so this confusion might lead to an overall underestimation of their hip function. Like other hip PROMs, the OHS is subject to statistical ceiling effects (approximately 13.5%); however, very low levels of statistical floor effects are observed with the OHS (90,91).

**Reliability.** Several studies have investigated the internal consistency of the OHS pre- and postoperatively. The studies have shown the internal consistency of the OHS to be high (range 0.84–0.93) preoperatively and at 3, 6, 12, and 24 months postoperatively (61,92,93). Reproducibility, as measured by the coefficient of repeatability or interclass correlations by using the Bland-Altman method, has also been studied extensively and shown to be consistently strong (61,92,94).

**Validity.** During the development of the OHS, patients were asked to comment on and include hip-related problems not addressed by the draft questionnaire for content validity (61). High correlations (range 0.67–0.85) have been described when comparing the OHS with other PROMs of pain and function related to hip pathology (61,70,77,90,95,96).

**Ability to detect change.** The OHS has favorable responsiveness when compared with generic measures, such as the SF-36 and EQ-5D, and disease-specific measures, including the WOMAC and Arthritis Impact Measurement Scales. Effect size varied from 2.1 to 3.1 at 6 to 24 months after THA and was 1.84 after revision THA (61,70,90–93,96,97). In 2007, Murray et al (62) estimated the MCID to be between 3 and 5 points after joint replacement. Further study in 2015 by Beard et al (80) found the minimal detectable change to be 5 points after THA.

## Critical appraisal of overall value to the rheumatology community

**Strengths.** The OHS assesses pain and functional outcomes in patients undergoing THA. It has been shown to provide good psychometric properties and has been reported to be a useful predictor of early revision THA.

**Caveats and cautions.** As previously discussed, the OHS has some questions that may be misinterpreted, therefore leading to an underestimation of hip pain and function. Additionally, concerns have been raised regarding the lack of items concern-

ing activities requiring a large angle of hip flexion. Lastly, it has been shown that 10% of patients whose first language is English may misinterpret one of the items.

**Clinical usability.** The questionnaire is quick, easy to use, free, and self-administered. Therefore, clinical usability is high. With that said, a single administration will not provide useful information on an individual; however, with repeated administrations, useful information can be gleaned.

**Research usability.** Because of its ease of use and high response rate, the OHS is one of the preferred PROMs for large studies on long-term hip replacement outcomes (65).

## LEQUESNE INDEX OF SEVERITY FOR OSTEOARTHRITIS OF THE HIP

### Description

**Purpose.** The LISOH was developed in France in the early 1980s to evaluate the severity of hip osteoarthritis in drug trials in an adult French population and the long-term treatment effects for hip osteoarthritis as well as to help in decision-making regarding the need for hip replacement (98). It was modified in 1997 and became known to some as the Lequesne Alfofunctional Index.

**Content.** The LISOH is an index that covers osteoarthritis-specific symptoms and physical function disability. It is a composite measure of aggregating symptoms and function (which are not graded separately) in which pain is analyzed by five items, maximum distance walked by two items, and ADLs by four items (98). This instrument is available in interview-based and self-administered versions and in modified versions with changed scoring and wording (98–101).

**Number of items.** There are 11 items.

**Response options/scale.** The score ranges from 0 (no pain or disability) to 24 (maximum pain or disability), and the measure is scored as a sum of all the items (98).

**Recall period for items.** Not specified.

**Examples of use.** The LISOH has been used in both clinical and research settings since its development in the 1980s. Clinically, it has been used to assess the severity of hip osteoarthritis and to help with indications for THA (101–103). In the research realm, the LISOH has been used to determine the effectiveness of pharmacologic interventions on hip osteoarthritis

and to assess the long-term impact of post-THA rehabilitation (98,104)

**How to obtain.** The LISOH is free to use and can be accessed at [https://oarsi.org/sites/default/files/docs/2013/lequesne\\_eng\\_ndex.pdf](https://oarsi.org/sites/default/files/docs/2013/lequesne_eng_ndex.pdf).

### Practical application

**Method of administration.** The LISOH can be self-administered, interviewer administered, or completed by a clinician during a clinical assessment.

**Scoring.** The original scoring consists of score ranges from 0 to 8 for each part of the LISOH questionnaire (pain/discomfort, maximum distance walked, and ADL), resulting in a total score range of 0 to 24. A modification in 1991 added a question regarding sexual activity to be included when appropriate, resulting in a total score range of 0 to 28 (98,99).

**Score interpretation.** With the original scoring consisting of a total score range of 0 to 24 points, where 0 = no handicap, 1 to 4 = mild handicap, 5 to 7 = moderate handicap, 8 to 10 = severe handicap, 11 to 13 = very severe handicap, and 14 and higher = extremely severe handicap. A score greater than 11 to 12 points has been suggested to indicate need for THA (103). The questions are suggested to score disabilities connected with a single hip. There are no indications of how to score in the case of bilateral hip osteoarthritis, which complicates interpretation of the LISOH in those patients (102).

**Respondent burden.** The LISOH questionnaire takes less than 5 minutes to complete (102,105,106).

**Administrative burden.** Although scoring of the LISOH questionnaire takes only a few minutes, some training may be required for use of the questionnaire in an interview-based environment to achieve interobserver reproducibility (98,105).

**Translations/adaptations.** The LISOH has been translated and validated for hip osteoarthritis in English, French, German, Turkish, Korean, Spanish, Greek, Persian, and Portuguese (101,102,107–114).

### Psychometric information

**Method of development.** The LISOH was developed in France by hip specialists in the early 1980s through patient interviews in an adult French population.



**Acceptability.** Several studies have assessed the LISOH questionnaire using Rasch analysis, and unfavorable results have caused some to question the psychometric properties of the questionnaire. Furthermore, in direct comparison with the WOMAC, the LISOH exhibits worse internal consistency, reliability, and construct validity in multiple patient populations (107,110,111,115). Other issues raised regarding the LISOH questionnaire include the clarity of the items, with one study determining that 2 of 10 patients in a French population required additional explanation to fill out the questionnaire and also noting a poor item-response rate and another study noting an item-response rate of approximately 71% (102,105).

**Reliability.** In general, internal consistency has been found to be satisfactory for the LISOH composite score (Cronbach's  $\alpha$  0.83-0.84) (101,102,108). With that said, the internal consistency has been shown to be lower for the pain/discomfort part of the LISOH in comparison with the function part (Cronbach's  $\alpha$  = 0.63 vs. 0.84, respectively) (101). Satisfactory test-retest reliability has been shown for the composite score, with interclass correlation coefficients ranging from 0.51 to 0.96 (101,107,111). Regarding interrater reliability, the interview-based questionnaire had a mean deviation of 0.55 points when rated by two observers (98).

**Validity.** Construct validity and convergent validity of the LISOH questionnaire have been shown to be inferior to those of other PROMs (47,101,102,107,111).

**Ability to detect change.** The MCID of the LISOH remains to be elucidated. When using the LISOH to assess the long-term impact of active drug treatment for hip osteoarthritis, an effect size of 1.3 to 1.8 was observed (100).

### Critical appraisal of overall value to the rheumatology community

**Strengths.** The LISOH is quick, free, and easy to access.

**Caveats and cautions.** Problems have been raised regarding the validity of the LISOH and its utility as a single measure of outcomes after THA.

**Clinical usability.** Given its poor validity and reliability relative to other patient-reported outcomes, it is not recommended to use the LISOH as the sole outcome measure on an individual patient level.

**Research usability.** Given its ease of use, availability, and relatively high interrater/interobserver reliability, the LISOH questionnaire may have some utility in the study of THA outcomes in large patient populations.

## AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEONS HIP AND KNEE QUESTIONNAIRE

### Description

**Purpose.** Throughout the 1990s and early 2000s, the AAOS created a series of questionnaires designed to measure and analyze musculoskeletal outcomes. These assessments covered all body regions in adults and children. The Hip and Knee Questionnaire was a specific version of the more general Lower Limb Questionnaire and was published in 2004. In combination with the SF-36, the AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire was effective at assessing hip and knee conditions and the effects of treatment (116). The survey was previously available through the AAOS website but has now been replaced by the HOOS and KOOS surveys.

**Content.** The questionnaire is identical to the AAOS Lower Limb Questionnaire with the attribution of pain to the hip or knee. It asks respondents to answer questions regarding hip or knee stiffness, swelling, and function. Specifically, the functional questions assess the respondent's pain while walking on flat surfaces, going up or down stairs, and lying in bed at night. The final two questions assess the ability to get around and the level of difficulty with taking on and off socks.

**Number of items.** The questionnaire contains seven items. The worse hip is given preference in the case of bilateral symptoms.

**Response options/scale.** For questions regarding stiffness and swelling, respondents choose from five possible options on a Likert scale from "not at all" to "extremely." For questions regarding pain during functional activity, there are seven response options on a Likert scale from "not painful" to "could not do" as well as a "could not do for other reasons" option. There are seven response options for ability to get around and six response options for difficulty with taking on and off socks.

**Recall period for items.** One week.

**Cost to use.** Free.

**How to obtain.** Previously available at [aaos.org](http://aaos.org).

### Practical application

**Method of administration.** Self-administered questionnaire.

**Scoring.** Standardized and normative scores may be calculated. Unanswered items are not to be included in calculation of mean scores. In addition, if more than half of the items are missing, a score cannot be calculated. This includes items marked

“could not do for other reasons,” which is considered equal to a missing response. Instructions on how to calculate standardized and normative scores are included in a worksheet with the survey.

**Score interpretation.** Standardized scores are calculated from 0 to 100, 0 indicating most disability and 100 indicating least disability. Normative scores are calculated to a mean population score of 50, with higher scores indicating higher function (117).

**Respondent time to complete.** Two to three minutes.

**Administrative burden.** The questionnaire can be scored very quickly with a scoring sheet and within 15 minutes if scored by hand.

**Translations/adaptations.** The Hip and Knee Questionnaire is an adaptation of the Lower Limb Questionnaire. There are also sports/knee and foot and ankle adaptations (116).

## Psychometric information

**Floor and ceiling effects.** Not measured (116).

**Reliability.** The Hip and Knee Questionnaire has good internal consistency, with Cronbach's  $\alpha$  coefficient of 0.8 calculated from 43 patients with a hip or knee complaint. For test-retest reliability, Pearson's correlation coefficient was calculated on 40 patients and was found to be 0.91 (116).

**Validity.** All AAOS instruments were developed by clinicians who continually confirmed the face and content validity for each questionnaire. Construct validity was obtained by correlating scores from the Hip and Knee Questionnaire with the AAOS Lower Limb Questionnaire ( $r = 0.95$ ), the unweighted mean of three SF-36 physical subscales ( $r = 0.7$ ), and a scale created from a physician assessment of function and pain ( $r = 0.73$  and  $r = 0.69$ , respectively). In addition, a global score for the WOMAC was calculated and correlated with the AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire score ( $r = 0.89$ ) (116).

**Responsiveness.** There is no direct measure of the Hip and Knee Questionnaire's responsiveness, but the Lower Limb Questionnaire (from which the Hip and Knee Questionnaire was adapted) has been assessed. An absolute change score, calculated as the difference between the baseline and follow-up scores, was found to be moderately correlated with a transition score ( $r = 0.53$ ). This transition score was calculated from the combined responses of the patient and a physician on their perceptions of improvement over 1 year. Based on the strong correlation of Lower Limb Questionnaire scores to Hip and Knee Questionnaire scores, it is likely that the Hip and Knee Questionnaire possesses similar ability to detect change.

**Minimally important differences.** To our knowledge, no minimally important difference for the AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire has been calculated.

**Generalizability.** The AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire is applicable to adult populations older than age 18 with pain attributable to the hip or knee.

**Use in clinical trials.** To our knowledge, the AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire has not been used in any major clinical trials. It has been used to assess outcomes in patients with slipped capital femoral epiphysis (118), and the AAOS Lower Limb Questionnaire appears in numerous studies covering a broad range of musculoskeletal topics, including outcomes of limb lengthening and lower - extremity amputation (119,120).

## Critical appraisal of overall value to the rheumatology community

**Strengths.** The AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire proved to be an effective instrument in assessing hip and knee conditions and the effect of appropriate treatments. It is a short survey that is easily administered and scored. A thorough psychometric evaluation was performed in 2004 to demonstrate its reliability and validity, and in conjunction with the SF-36, it can be an overall effective outcome measure.

**Caveats and cautions.** As patient-reported outcomes have become an integral part of the overall effort to deliver quality care in the United States, other surveys specific to hip and knee outcomes have been developed and endorsed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (121). The AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire is not included in that group of endorsed outcome measures. This is likely the reason this survey is seen less commonly in the literature and why there have not been any follow-up studies to the original evaluations of the AAOS questionnaires published in 2004.

**Clinical and research usability.** The AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire is a useful tool given its size and ease of administration but is not practical given the rising popularity of other surveys, as mentioned above.

## WESTERN ONTARIO AND MCMASTER UNIVERSITIES OSTEOARTHRITIS INDEX

### Description

**Purpose.** The WOMAC was developed to measure the symptoms and physical disability of patients with hip or knee arthritis (122). It was created as part of a randomized controlled trial of two anti-inflammatory medications in the treatment of hip

and knee arthritis (123). As such, the WOMAC was intended to detect clinically important and relevant changes to treatment (124,125).

**Content.** The survey consists of three subscales that evaluate pain during certain positions or movements, stiffness at different times of day, and difficulty with performing certain activities.

**Number of items.** The WOMAC has 24 total items. There are 5 items in the pain section, 2 items in the stiffness section, and 17 items in the functional section.

**Response options/scale.** The WOMAC is available in a 5-point Likert scale, a 100-mm VAS, and an 11-box numerical rating scale (126). The Likert scale offers five response options ranging from “none” to “extreme,” with corresponding score values from 0 to 4. The VAS and numerical rating scale offer responses selected on 100-mm or 11-box horizontal scales ranging from “none” on the left to “extreme” on the right (127).

**Recall period for items.** Forty-eight hours.

**Cost to use.** There is a fee to access the questionnaire and user guide. Fee information is available after submitting a request to use.

**How to obtain.** Requests to use the WOMAC for clinical or research purposes must be submitted via the contact section on the website ([www.womac.com](http://www.womac.com)).

## Practical application

**Method of administration.** The WOMAC is primarily designed as a self- or interview-administered questionnaire. The WOMAC has been validated for use in person, over the phone, or via computer or mobile phone (128–130). Patients have been shown to respond similarly to paper or online versions (131).

**Scoring.** For the Likert scale version, the pain, stiffness, and function sections possess potential summative score totals of 20, 8, and 68, respectively. A global score is calculated by combining the three subscores (124). For the VAS version, respondents mark a point along the horizontal 100-mm line. This is measured in millimeters and totaled out of 2400 (132). Normative values were published from an Australian population in 2010 (133). In the case that two or more items are missing from the pain subscale, that both items are missing from the stiffness subscale, or that four or more items are missing from the functional subscale, responses are declared invalid and not included for analysis.

**Score interpretation.** On both the Likert and VAS versions, lower scores equate to less pain and disability.

**Respondent time to complete.** Five to 10 minutes.

**Administrative burden.** Questionnaire responses require approximately 5 minutes to score, with minimal training required.

**Translations/adaptations.** There have been multiple versions of the WOMAC questionnaire, with the most recent being version 3.1 (updated in 2016). Short-form versions of the WOMAC have been developed, specific to total hip or total knee replacement, and were found to be equally responsive compared with the original WOMAC (134). The WOMAC has validated language translations in Arabic, Chinese, Dutch, Finnish, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Moroccan, Singaporean Spanish, Swedish, Thai, and Turkish (107,108,135–147).

## Psychometric information

**Floor and ceiling effects.** Floor effects for WOMAC subscales or total scores are generally minimal or 0 (148). However, in one 2005 study, floor effects at 6 months and 2 years following THA were significant in the pain (25% and 39%) and stiffness (30% and 46%) subscales (149). In a study of patients after periacetabular osteotomy, floor effects in the pain and stiffness subscales were less than 1% and 3%, respectively. Floor effects were absent in the function subscale and aggregate score (7).

Ceiling effects are more commonly reported in all WOMAC subscales, particularly in pain and stiffness (7,95,148). A ceiling effect has been demonstrated in the pain and stiffness subscales when patients are evaluated at 10 weeks and 12 months after hip fracture (148). These effects appear to be significantly different between young (18%-36%) and old (38%-53%) age groups (148). In patients after periacetabular osteotomy, the ceiling effect is more substantial than the floor effect but still small (4%, 11%, 5%, and 2% for pain, stiffness, function, and total scores, respectively) (7). Findings in the literature are mixed; one study demonstrated low ceiling effects of less than 5% for all WOMAC subscales at 6 months and 2 years after THA, whereas another demonstrated significant ceiling effects (14%-38%) 1 year post-operatively (95,149).

**Reliability.** The WOMAC has demonstrated excellent internal and test-retest reliability. The Cronbach's  $\alpha$  coefficient for the global score is reported as high as 0.97, with the lowest subscale being the stiffness subscale ( $\alpha = 0.86$ ) (7,127). Test-retest reliability is equally as strong, with Pearson's correlation coefficients reported as high as 0.96 (127). In addition to patients with osteoarthritis, WOMAC scores have demonstrated good internal reliability among patients after hip fracture, with Cronbach's coefficients ranging from 0.83 to 0.98 and from 0.79 to 0.97 for young and old age groups, respectively (148).

**Validity.** Since its creation in the late 1980s, the WOMAC has been extensively validated for patients with hip and knee arthritis (122). Additional validation has occurred for each of the aforementioned translations. More recently, the WOMAC has demonstrated good construct validity when compared with other PROMs. There is strong correlation of total WOMAC and SF-12 scores in patients after hip fracture, ranging from 0.71 to 0.83 and from 0.75 to 0.90 for young and old age groups, respectively (148). Similar results have been published, correlating WOMAC and EQ-5D subscales (148). In patients after periacetabular osteotomy, Spearman's correlation coefficients between WOMAC subscales and the SF-12 physical subscale are moderate to strong ( $P > 0.5$ ), except for the stiffness subscale ( $P = 0.38$ ) (7).

**Responsiveness.** For patients with hip osteoarthritis, the SRMs calculated for the WOMAC are high, exceeding 1.0 (150,151). In 162 patients who underwent THA for osteoarthritis, there was a mean WOMAC score change of 29, an effect size of 1.84, and an SRM of 1.6 (152). SRM values at 6 months and 2 years postoperatively have been shown to continue increasing to 1.86 and 1.98, respectively (149). In addition, a statistically significant improvement in scores has been shown up to 2 years following total hip replacement (149). In patients who sustain hip fractures, responsiveness is moderate (SRM 0.66) and small (SRM 0.24) among patients younger than and older than 80 years old, respectively (148). These differences are likely due to the fact that WOMAC scores are lowest just before a hip replacement and are not likely to be obtained prior to a patient sustaining a hip fracture (148).

**Minimally important differences.** The MCID for patients who underwent THA for hip arthritis is 10.2 points (152). The MCID for patients who undergo periacetabular osteotomy for hip pain secondary to hip dysplasia is approximately 11 points for the total WOMAC score (7). A prospective cohort study of more than 1300 patients identified a minimal clinically important improvement of 7.9 on the WOMAC function subscale in patients with hip arthritis who initiated nonoperative treatment (153). In addition, mean changes of 9 to 12 mm (100-mm normalized VAS) on WOMAC scales were perceptible by patients with hip and knee osteoarthritis (154).

**Generalizability.** The WOMAC questionnaire has been applied across wide groups of adult populations. To our knowledge, no study has validated the WOMAC in pediatric populations. One active study validating WOMAC scores in a pediatric population with Perthes disease can be found in the recruitment phase on ClinicalTrials.gov.

**Use in clinical trials.** As one of the oldest PROMs validated for assessing the hip, the WOMAC has been used extensively in studies affecting many types of hip pathology and responses to treatment, including osteoarthritis, hip dysplasia, and hip trauma.

### Critical appraisal of overall value to the rheumatology community

**Strengths.** The WOMAC is a historically significant and widely used PROM that is found commonly in the literature. It has validated short-form versions and has been translated into multiple languages. It also serves as the foundation for other PROMs, such as the HOOS. The WOMAC subscales may also be valuable in stratifying and more thoroughly evaluating data.

**Caveats and cautions.** The WOMAC is proprietary and, as such, is less accessible and less attractive to potential clinicians or researchers. In addition, with 24 items, it is longer than newer, nonproprietary PROMs, such as the HOOS-JR. The full WOMAC is also not included in the list of PROMs recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. However, the HOOS, a derivative of the WOMAC, is included on that list. As is common to all functional assessments, some activities included on the functional subscale may be impossible for some patients with severe disease to complete. This may result in missing data.

**Clinical and research usability.** If purchased, the WOMAC is relevant to both clinicians and researchers alike. It is reliable, valid, and responsive to treatment. Its ubiquitous presence in hip and knee outcome literature makes further use appropriate and guarantees the ability to compare new findings with old data.

## CONCLUSIONS

We reviewed seven of the most commonly used instruments in assessment of hip outcomes and function. There has been an extensive body of work in terms of evaluation of psychometric properties and use in clinical trials since the last review of these instruments (1). This review should be used as a reference when comparing hip outcome measures and deciding which measures should be used for research or clinical purposes for researchers and clinicians.

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**Table 1.** Practical applications\*

Measure	Number of Items	Content/Domains	Method of Administration	Recall Period	Response Format	Range of Scores	Score Interpretation	Availability of Normative Data	Cross-Cultural Validation
HHS	10 items: 8 items in the modified HHS	Pain, function, absence of deformity, and ROM	Clinician-based; modified HHS is self-administered	Not described	Numerical scale within each domain	0-100	<70 indicates poor result, 70-80 indicates fair result, 80-90 indicates good result, 90-100 indicates excellent result	No	Used internationally but no validated versions in other languages
HOOS	40 items: HOOS-JR has 6 items, HOOS-PS has 5 items	Pain, other symptoms, function in ADLs, function in sport and recreation, and QOL	Self	Last week	5 Likert boxes	0-100	0 indicates extreme problems, 100 indicates no problems	No	25 total languages, including English, French, German, Dutch, Italian, and Spanish
PROMIS	4-12 items; Varies depending on exact measure chosen	Physical health, mental health, social health	Self	7 d; some questions present tense	0-10 for pain; 5 options for other domains	T-score metric with 50 as mean of population	50 is mean of population, 10 is 1 SD of population; 60 indicates 1 SD above mean	Yes	45 total languages, including English, French, German, Dutch, Italian, and Spanish
OHS	12 items	Pain, function	Self or over the phone	Last 4 wk	0-4 (worst to best)	0-48	0 indicates severe problems, 48 indicates no problems	No	English, Japanese, Dutch, German, Turkish, Spanish, Mandarin, and Italian; used, but not validated, in French, Iranian, and Korean
LISOH	11	Osteoarthritis-related symptoms, function	Self-administered, interviewer-based, or clinician-administered	Not specified	0-8 (best to worst)	0-28	0 indicates no handicap, >11-13 indicates severe handicap	No	English, French, German, Turkish, Korean, Spanish, Greek, Persian, and Portuguese
AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire	7	Pain, stiffness, swelling, function	Self	Last week	Likert scale for all domains with slight differences in options	0-100	0 indicates most disability, 100 indicates no disability	Yes	English and Spanish
WOMAC	24	Pain, stiffness, difficulty with certain activities	Self-administered or interviewer-administered	Last 48 h	Likert scale, VAS, and 11-box numerical rating scales	Pain: 0-20; stiffness: 0-8; function: 0-68; VAS totaled to 2400	Lower scores indicate less pain and disability	Yes	English, Arabic, Chinese, Dutch, Finnish, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Moroccan, Singaporean Spanish, Swedish, Thai, and Turkish

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**Table 2.** Psychometrics\*

Measure	Floor, Ceiling Effects	Reliability	Validity	Responsiveness	Minimally Important Differences	Generalizability	Used in RCTs
HHS	Ceiling effects: approximately 20%; floor effects: not reported	Internal consistency: Cronbach's $\alpha$ score = 0.94; test-retest reliability: $r = 0.93-0.98$	Content and construct validity correlate with similar domains of other scores	Responsive to pain and function at 6-mo follow-up; weakly responsive at 2-y follow-up; modified HHS adequately responsive after PAO	SRM = 0.75	Widely generalizable to adult patients with hip disabilities or undergoing hip surgeries	Yes
HOOS	Floor effects: 4.1%-17.8%; ceiling effects: up to 19%	Internal consistency: Cronbach's $\alpha = 0.82-0.98$ ; test-retest reliability = 0.75-0.97	Content validity performed by asking patients to rate item importance; construct validity confirmed by correlation with other scores	Good responsiveness in short- and long-term follow-up up to 2 y postoperatively	9.0-9.6 in ADL domain, 16.2-19.0 in QOL domain	Widely generalizable to adult patients with hip disabilities or undergoing hip procedures; HOOS-JR developed for patients undergoing THA	Yes
PROMIS	Not observed in patients undergoing PAO; floor effects in patients undergoing THA: 20%-45% in depression domain, 21%-26% in pain domain; no ceiling effects in patients undergoing THA	Internal consistency: Cronbach's $\alpha = 1.00$	Not evaluated	High responsiveness postoperatively in patients undergoing THA	5 (half of normalized SD of reported scores)	Generalizable to adult patients with hip ailments or undergoing hip procedures; separate PROMIS instruments available for pediatric patients	Overall, less frequently used in RCTs but some recent use
OHS	Ceiling effects: 13.5%; low floor effects	Internal consistency: Cronbach's $\alpha = 0.84-0.93$	High correlation with content validity when compared with other PROMs	High responsiveness compared with generic measures	Estimated to be 3-5 points (0- to 48-point scale)	Widely generalizable to adult patients with hip disabilities or undergoing hip surgeries	Yes
LISOH	Not reported	Internal consistency: Cronbach's $\alpha = 0.83-0.94$ for composite score; pain/discomfort lower at 0.63; test-retest reliability = 0.51-0.96	Construct and convergent validity inferior to other PROMs	Not reported	Unknown	Not recommended as sole outcome measure clinically given poor validity and reliability; may have some utility in larger patient populations	Yes
AAOS Hip and Knee Questionnaire	Not measured	Internal consistency: Cronbach's $\alpha = 0.8$ ; test-retest reliability = 0.91	Construct validity with moderate to high correlation to other PROMs	Not directly measured	Unknown	Widely generalizable to adult patients with hip disabilities or undergoing hip surgeries	Little use in major clinical trials
WOMAC	Floor effects generally thought of as minimal but one report of significant floor effects in pain and stiffness after THA (25%-46%); ceiling effects more common up to 53%	Internal consistency: Cronbach's $\alpha = 0.86-0.97$ ; test-retest reliability = 0.96	Good construct validity compared with other PROMs	High SRM (>1.0)	MCID after THA 10.2, after PAO 11, 7.9 in nonoperative management of hip OA (scale of 0-68)	Widely generalizable to adult patients with hip disabilities or undergoing hip surgeries	Yes

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