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Metro South Health

Colorectal Pelvic Floor Clinic  
**PATIENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

Facility: QEII JUBILEE HOSPITAL

(Affix patient identification label here)

URN:

Family Name:

Given Names:

Date of Birth:

Sex:

M

F

I

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. What is your current bowel frequency?**

(a) During the night      Never     1-2     3-4     5+  (number?) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) During the day      Once     2-3     4-5     6+  (number?) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Total number of motions per week \_\_\_\_\_

**2. What is the normal consistency of your stool?**

- use the Bristol stool scale here

(Your answer may be a range)

\_\_\_\_\_

**Bristol Stool Chart**

Type 1		Separate hard lumps, like nuts (hard to pass)
Type 2		Sausage-shaped but lumpy
Type 3		Like a sausage but with cracks on its surface
Type 4		Like a sausage or snake, smooth and soft
Type 5		Soft blobs with clear-cut edges (passed easily)
Type 6		Fluffy pieces with ragged edges, a mushy stool
Type 7		Watery, no solid pieces. <b>Entirely Liquid</b>

**3. How long have you been having your current symptoms?**

\_\_\_\_\_

**4. These questions relate to difficulty in passing stools**

(a) Do you strain when passing a stool more than 25% of the time?      Yes     No

(b) Do you feel obstructed when trying to pass a stool more than 25% of the time?

Yes     No

(c) Do you have the sensation of incomplete evacuation more than 25% of the time?

Yes     No

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(d) Do you need to use your fingers to assist with passing stool more than 25% of the time?

Yes  No  (if no, go to Q5)

If yes, which of the following do you use?

(i) Rectal digitation Yes  No

(ii) Vaginal digitation Yes  No  N/A

(iii) Perineal digitation Yes  No

(iv) Abdominal pressure Yes  No

5. Do you use pads? Yes  No  (if no, go to Q6)

Continuously: Yes

No  Day only  Night only

Why do you use pads?

Control of urinary leakage Yes  No

Control of bowel leakage Yes  No

If other reasons, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you get up at night to go to the toilet? Yes  No  (if no, go to Q7)

What for?

Bowels Yes  No

Urine Yes  No

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you able to defer the passage of (hold on to) flatus (gas)? Yes  No

If yes, for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Are you able to defer passage of (hold on to) liquid stool? Yes  No

If yes, for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. Are you able to defer passage of (hold on to) solid stool? Yes  No

If yes, for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Do you ever soil yourself? Yes  No  (If no, go to Q11)

When running? Yes  No

When passing urine? Yes  No

During sex? Yes  No

When coughing? Yes  No

11. After going to the toilet do you need to return to the toilet shortly afterwards?

Yes  No  (If no, go to Q12)

What for? Incomplete evacuation Yes  No

Leakage Yes  No

Hygiene Yes  No

Urine Yes  No

12. Do you have a sensation of prolapse? (feel like something has dropped down from its normal position?) Yes  No  (If no, go to Q13)

Where?

Anus Yes  No

Vagina Yes  No  N/A

Bladder/Urethra Yes  No

13. Do you use enemas or suppositories to help with your problem? Yes  No

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14. Do your symptoms vary with relation to food? Yes  No  (If no, go to Q15)

Dairy Get better  Get worse

Spicy Get better  Get worse

Caffeine Get better  Get worse

Other foods? Specify \_\_\_\_\_ Symptoms: Better  Worse

\_\_\_\_\_ Symptoms: Better  Worse

\_\_\_\_\_ Symptoms: Better  Worse

15. Do your symptoms vary with physical activity? Yes  No  (If no, go to Q16)

If yes, are the symptoms: Better  Worse

16. Is there anything else that makes your symptoms better/worse?

Yes  No  (If no, go to Q17)

If yes,

Specify: \_\_\_\_\_ Symptoms: Better  Worse

Specify: \_\_\_\_\_ Symptoms: Better  Worse

17. How much does this problem affect your mobility?

Not at all  Sometimes  Most of the time  Always

18. If you go somewhere do you always know where the toilets are?

Yes  No

19. Do you delay leaving home due to this problem? Yes  No  (If no, go to Q20)

Details: \_\_\_\_\_

20. Do you leak small amounts of mucus or stool after cleaning yourself?

Yes  No



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If you are male, please go to Q22

**21. Ladies, what is your obstetric history?**

(a) Number of pregnancies: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children: \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Did you have any prolonged labours? Yes  No  Details: \_\_\_\_\_ hrs

(c) Size of largest baby? \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Did you have any episiotomies (cuts) or tears? Yes  No

Degree of tear (if known)? \_\_\_\_\_

**22. Do you have any symptoms of urinary incontinence?** Yes  No  (If no, go to Q23)

Urge Yes  No

Stress Yes  No

How often do you have these symptoms?

Sometimes  Most of the time  Always

**23. Have you had any previous anal surgery?** Yes  No  (If no, go to Q24)

Fistulotomy (surgical opening of a fistula) Yes  No

Haemorrhoidectomy Yes  No

Dilatation (stretching) Yes  No

Sphincter repair Yes  No

Sphincterotomy (surgical cutting of the anal sphincter) Yes  No

**24. Have you had any previous abdominal surgery?**

Yes  No  (If no, go to Q25)

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**25. Have you used any medications to help with your symptoms?**

Yes  No  (If no, go to Q26)

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**26. Have you made any dietary changes to help with the symptoms?**

Yes  No  (If no, go to Q27)

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**27. Do you have a history of spinal problems or surgery?**

Yes  No  (If no, go to Q28)

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**28. Do you have caffeine?** Yes  No  Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_

**29. Do you drink alcohol?** Yes  No  Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_

**30. Do you drink milk?** Yes  No  Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_

**31. Do you have any other health problems/conditions?** Yes  No

Please give details: \_\_\_\_\_

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