Item	<b>Construct 1</b>	Construct	Construct	Construct	Construct	
		2	3	4	5	
Q3	1.000					
Q4	1.000					
Q5	1.000					
Q6	0.980				0.020	
Q1	0.942		0.004	0.034		
Q2	0.940		0.006	0.034		
Q7		0.994				
Q9		0.994				
Q12		0.994				
Q18		0.994				
Q25	0.002	0.988		0.002		
Q14	0.010	0.984		0.002		
Q16		0.978		0.022		
Q24	0.002	0.972		0.026		
Q13	0.044	0.806	0.012	0.118	0.004	
Q27			0.960	0.024	0.012	
Q28			0.954	0.024	0.018	
Q26		0.002	0.948	0.040	0.006	
Q20	0.008	0.002	0.820	0.104	0.042	
Q23	0.004	0.068	0.760	0.160		
Q19		0.044	0.632	0.194	0.104	
Q10	0.392	0.018	0.500	0.060	0.004	
Q17		0.262	0.332	0.382		
Q22		0.320	0.302	0.354		
Q29	0.008	0.012	0.126	0.840		
Q30	0.008	0.012	0.126	0.840		
Q33	0.178	0.002	0.114	0.670	0.018	
Q34	0.042	0.204	0.124	0.612	0.004	
Q15	0.168	0.108	0.154	0.534	0.004	
Q31	0.196	0.002	0.166	0.506	0.114	
Q39					1.000	
Q40					1.000	

Appendix 1. Item stability of HFAQ items across all bootstrap replicates samples.

Q41			1.000
Q42			1.000
Q43			1.000
Q37		0.002	0.998
Q38		0.002	0.998

Appendix 2- HFAQ questionnaire (English translated version)

No.	Item Response scale							
Dimension 1: Health literacy								
1	I think that I have an illness or a physical problem.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
2	I need medical treatment to control the disease condition.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
3	I need food regimen modification to control the disease condition.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
4	I need lifestyle modification to control the disease condition.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
5	I am motivated for controlling the illness.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
6	Disease condition will get worse if I do not follow the treatment plan.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
Dimension 2: Barriers								
7	I do not follow the treatment plan when I have fewer symptoms.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
8	I do not follow the treatment plan because of several causes.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
9	I do not take my pills continuously, because I think they are addictive.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
10	I do not take the pills which increase urination when I plan to leave the house.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
11	I have so many pills to take, so I do not take some of them.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
12	I do not follow the treatment plan when I leave the home for a long time or a trip.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
13	I cannot take the pills properly due to high number of prescribed medication.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
14	I cannot follow the physical activity recommendations due to fatigue or shortness of breath.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
15	It is difficult for me to follow treatment plan when I am with friends and/or family.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
Dimension 3: Social and Economic								
16	Cost of prescription is reasonable for me.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		

17	I have support of family and friends about following the treatment plan.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
18	Following treatment plan increased my quality of life.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
19	Following treatment plan increased my productivity.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
	Dimension 4: Patient-Provider Relationship								
20	I am satisfied with the information provided by physician about the disease condition and treatment plan.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
21	I have enough information about the disease condition and treatment plan.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
22	I have enough information about changing the treatment plan in different conditions.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
23	Physician explained the red flags of disease and their emergent treatment.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
24	Physician explained me how to take the pills properly.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
25	Physician explained me how to change my lifestyle and regimen properly.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			
26	Pharmacist explained me how to take the pills properly.	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always			