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Refining the EQ-HWB instrument: psychometric evidence and methodological advances



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The EQ Health and Wellbeing (EQ-HWB) tool is a new, experimental instrument by the EuroQol Group designed to capture a broader range of outcomes beyond traditional health-related quality of life measures. Designed for use in patients, social care users and caregivers, the EQ-HWB has two versions: a long-form profile measure and a 9-item short form (EQ-HWB-9), which is a preference-based measure, suitable for the evaluation of health, public health and social care interventions. Since the publication of the EQ-HWB in 2022, several smaller refinements have been proposed to improve the instrument's usability and performance. These include modifications to item order, wording, response levels and layout. This special collection at *Health and Quality of Life Outcomes* offers a timely opportunity to share scientific evidence on the impact of these modifications, contributing to the finalisation of the instrument. The collection will be of broad interest to the health

outcomes research community, particularly those involved in the development and validation of measures for health and caregiving.

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