METODICHE DI VALIDAZIONE DEI QUESTIONARI E "ROBIN HOOD EFFECT"

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ITEM DEVELOPMENT

SCALE DEVELOPMENT

SCALE EVALUATION





DEVELOPMENT Identification of domain and item generation Content validity ITEM

DOMAIN IDENTIFICATION

TO SPECIFY THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DOMAIN AND FACILITATE ITEM GENERATION.

ITEM GENERATION:

TO IDENTIFY APPROPRIATE QUESTIONS THAT FIT THE IDENTIFIED DOMAIN.

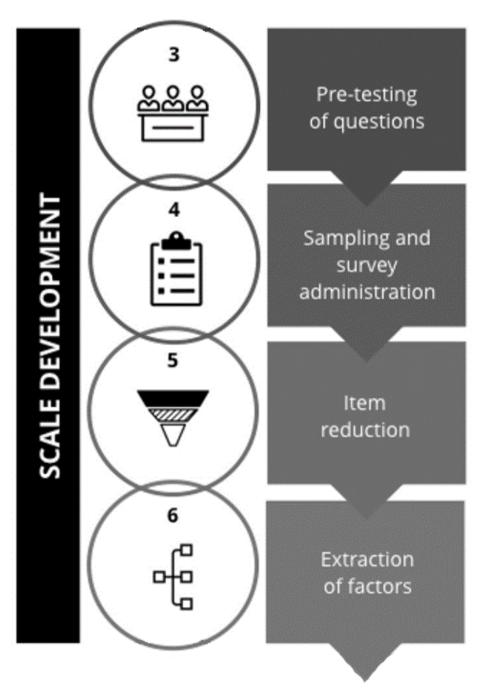
EVALUATION BY EXPERTS

TO EVALUATE EACH OF THE ITEMS CONSTITUTING THE DOMAIN FOR CONTENT RELEVANCE, REPRESENTATIVENESS, AND TECHNICAL QUALITY.

EVALUATION BY TARGET POPULATION

TO EVALUATE EACH ITEM CONSTITUTING THE DOMAIN FOR REPRESENTATIVENESS OF ACTUAL EXPERIENCE FROM TARGET POPULATION.





COGNITIVE INTERVIEWS

TO ASSESS THE EXTENT TO WHICH QUESTIONS REFLECT THE DOMAIN OF INTEREST AND THAT ANSWERS PRODUCE VALID MEASUREMENTS.

SURVEY ADMINISTRATION, SAMPLE SIZE, TYPE OF DATA TO USE

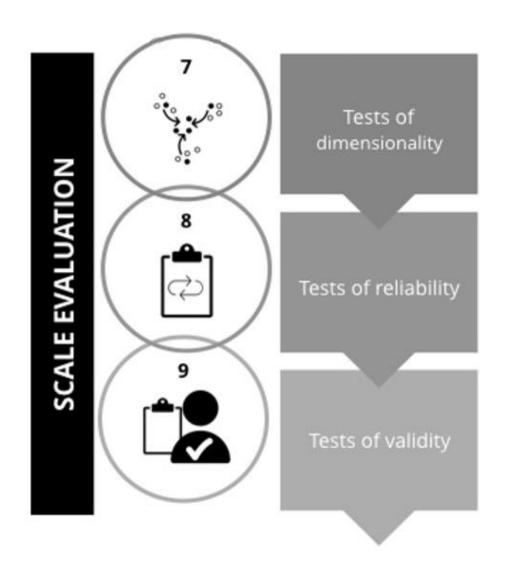
TO COLLECT DATA WITH MINIMUM MEASUREMENT ERRORS, TO ENSURE THE AVAILABILITY OF SUFFICIENT DATA FOR SCALE DEVELOPMENT, TO ENSURE THE AVAILABILITY OF DATA FOR SCALE DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION.

ITEM **DIFFICULTY INDEX**, ITEM **DISCRIMINATION TEST**, **INTER-ITEM**AND **ITEM-TOTAL CORRELATIONS**, DELETING OR IMPUTING **MISSING**CASES.

FACTOR ANALYSIS

TO DETERMINE THE OPTIMAL NUMBER OF FACTORS OR DOMAINS THAT FIT A SET OF ITEMS.





TEST DIMENSIONALITY

TO VALIDATE WHETHER THE PREVIOUS HYPOTHETICAL STRUCTURE FITS THE ITEMS IN NEW GROUP, CONFIRMATORY FACTOR ANALYSIS.

CALCULATE RELIABILITY STATISTICS

TO ASSESS THE INTERNAL CONSISTENCY OF THE SCALE. I.E., THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE SET OF ITEMS IN THE SCALE CO-VARY, RELATIVE TO THEIR SUM SCORE.

TEST-RETEST RELIABILITY

TO ASSESS THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE PARTICIPANT'S PERFORMANCE IS REPEATABLE; I.E., HOW CONSISTENT THEIR SCORES ARE ACROSS TIME.

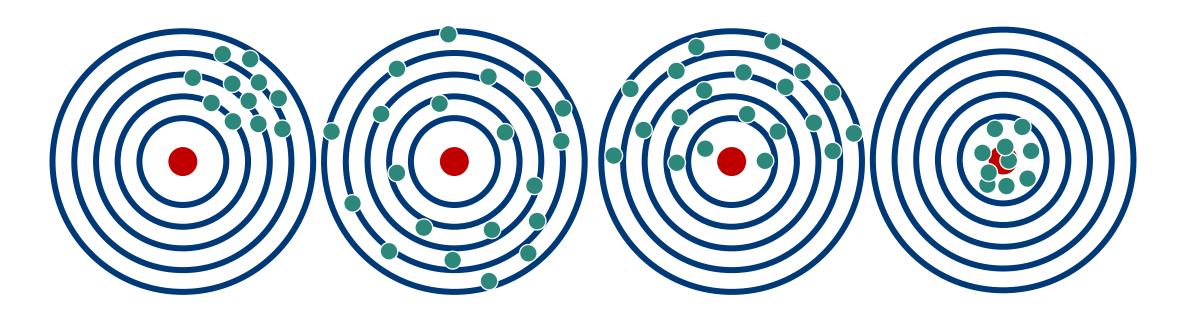
CRITERION VALIDITY

PREDICTIVE AND CONCURRENT VALIDITY.

CONSTRUCT VALIDITY

CONVERGENT VALIDITY, DISCRIMINANT VALIDITY, DIFFERENTIATION BY "KNOWN GROUPS".

ABILITY TO DETECT CHANGE



RELIABLE NOT VALID

NOT RELIABLE VALID

NOT RELIABLE NOR VALID

BOTH RELIABLE AND VALID



THE MINIMAL INTERESTING DIFFERENCE (M.I.D.)

- IT'S EASILY UNDERSTOOD BY CLINICIANS AS A KEY CONCEPT IN THE INTERPRETABILITY OF PRO SCORES;
- WILL INFORM JUDGMENTS ABOUT THE SUCCESS-FULNESS OF AN INTERVENTION;
- AN INDIVIDUAL PATIENT ACHIEVING THE SCORE EQUAL OR GREATER THAN THE MID MIGHT BE CONSIDERED A BENEFICIARY OF THE INTERVENTION, WHAT WOULD LEAD TO THE DEFINITION OF A **RESPONDER**.



MID FROM ANCHOR-BASED METHODS

- THE RESPONDER DEFINITION MAY BE DETERMINED EMPIRICALLY USING ANCHOR-BASED METHODS.
- ANCHOR-BASED METHODS EXPLORE THE ASSOCIATIONS BETWEEN THE TARGETED CONCEPT OF THE PRO INSTRUMENT AND THE CONCEPT MEASURED BY THE ANCHORS.
- ANCHORS ARE WHAT THE PATIENT SAYS* WOULD BE THE SMALLEST DIFFERENCE THAT "IS PERCEIVED TO BE BENEFICIAL".



^{*} I.E. PATIENT RATINGS OF CHANGE IN DIFFERENT SITUATIONS

MID FROM DISTRIBUTION-BASED METHODS

- DISTRIBUTION-BASED METHODS INTERPRET RESULTS IN TERMS OF THE RELATION BETWEEN THE MAGNIT-UDE OF EFFECT AND SOME MEASURE OF VARIABILITY IN RESULTS;
- THE MOST WIDELY USED DISTRIBUTION-BASED METHOD IS THE BETWEEN-PERSON STANDARD DEVIATION, OFTEN REFERRED TO AS **EFFECT SIZE**.



TO SUM UP

FOR SCALE TO BE USED AS EVIDENCE OF TREATMENT EFFECT, THE INSTRUMENTS MUST BE PROPERLY **DEVELOPED** AND **VALIDATED**. THE PROCESS IS COMPLICATED AND CAN VARY DEPENDING ON THE STATUS OF THE SCALE, THE TARGET POPULATION AND THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE.

VALID INSTRUMENTS ARE **RESPONSIVE** TO CHANGES IN HEALTH STATUS. RESPONSIVENESS IS ESSENTIAL TO DETERMINE THE **MID** AND TO SUPPORT THE USE OF PATIENT-REPORTED OUTCOMES AS MEASURABLE ENDPOINTS.



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