

## LINQ Scoring Template

Scoring Range = 0 – 25

The higher the score, the greater the learning need.  
Minimal Clinically Important Difference (MCID) = 1

Question #	Yes = 0	No =1	Tally	Domain score
1.	Yes	No		
2.	Yes	No		
3.	Yes	No		
4.	0	1 1 1		
<b>Disease Knowledge</b>				
5.	Yes	No		
6.	Yes	No		
7.	0	1 2 3		
<b>Medicines</b>				
8.	0	1 2 3		
9.	0	1 2 3		
<b>Self Management</b>				
10.	X*	X*	X**	*Go to question 13. **Score 1. Go to question 11.
11.	Yes	No		
12.	Yes	No		
<b>Smoking</b>				
13.	Yes	No		
14.	0	1 1 2		
15.	0	1 2		
<b>Exercise</b>				
16. ***	0	1 1 2		***Score single, lowest value. Do <b>not</b> add multiple responses.
<b>Diet</b>				
<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>				

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## LINQ Scoring Template Instructions

- The Lung Information Needs Questionnaire (LINQ) contains nineteen questions. You need only score the first sixteen of them.
- There are two types of questions to score:

### Yes and No Response Type

(#'s 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13)

To score, simply circle the given response on the template and tally up the assigned value.

#### Example:

If the response to question one (Do you know the name of your lung disease?) is “No,” circle “No” and record a score of 1 in the tally block. “Yes” scores 0 points.

Question #	Yes = 0	No =1	Tally	Domain score
1.	Yes	No	1	

### Multiple Choice Type

(#'s 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16)

To score, circle the letter or numeral that corresponds with the given response on the template. The first option corresponds to the first value (from left to right) on the template. The second option corresponds to the second value on the template and so on.

#### Example:

For question seven, if the third block (I am slightly confused about my medicines) has been selected, circle the third value (from left to right) on the template. Score 2 in the Tally block.

Question #	Yes = 0	No =1	Tally	Domain score
7.	0 1	2 3	2	

**NOTE:** Pay attention to special instructions in the margins for numbers ten and sixteen!

#### Example:

If the person is still smoking, circle X\*\*. Score 1 point and go to the next question to continue scoring. Otherwise, score nothing and skip to question thirteen.

Question #	Yes = 0	No =1	Tally	Domain score
10.	X* X*	X**	1	*Go to question 13. **Score 1. Go to question 11.

- Tally up scores for each of the six domains (Disease Knowledge, Medicines, Self Management, Smoking, Exercise, Diet) to determine the total score. Range = 0 – 25. The higher the score, the greater the learning need.