

Supplementary File 1

Study Questionnaire (English-language Version)

Health Belief Model-based determinants of women's participation in cervical cancer screening: A case-control study from southeastern Turkey

Questionnaire No.: _____ Neighbourhood: _____

Part I. Sociodemographic and Sexual-Reproductive Health Characteristics

No.	Question	Response options
1.	How old are you (completed years)?	_____ years
2.	What is your level of education?	1. Illiterate 2. Literate (no formal schooling) 3. Primary school graduate 4. Secondary (middle) school graduate 5. High school graduate 6. University or higher
3.	Are you currently engaged in any income-generating work?	1. Yes (_____) 2. No
4.	What is your marital status?	1. Never married 2. Married 3. Divorced / separated 4. Widowed
5.	Do you have any children?	1. Yes 2. No
6.	In your opinion, is your total household income sufficient to meet your needs?	1. Very sufficient 2. Sufficient 3. Moderate 4. Insufficient 5. Very insufficient
7.	Are you sexually active?	1. Yes 2. No
8.	Do you use any family-planning method?	1. Yes - if yes, which method (_____) 2. No
9.	Have you had a cervical (Pap) smear taken?	1. Yes 2. No

Part II. Health Belief Model-based Sexually Transmitted Infections Attitude Scale

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Response format (5-point Likert): 1 = Strongly disagree | 2 = Disagree | 3 = Partially agree | 4 = Agree | 5 = Strongly agree

On the perceived barriers/self-efficacy subscale, higher scores indicate fewer perceived barriers and greater self-efficacy.

No.	Statement	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Partially agree	Agree	Strongly agree
1	To prevent sexually transmitted infections, attention should be paid to contact with blood and genital discharge.					
2	To prevent sexually transmitted infections, contact with sex workers should be avoided.					
3	To prevent sexually transmitted infections, condoms should be used.					
4	If there is a sore, redness or discharge in the genital area, sexual intercourse should be avoided.					
5	To prevent sexually transmitted infections, monogamy should be preferred.					
6	I think my likelihood of contracting a sexually transmitted infection is high.					
7	I think the likelihood of having a sore or redness in my genital area within the next 5 years is high.					
8	I think the likelihood of having a discharge in my genital area is high.					
9	I think my likelihood of having a sexually transmitted infection is higher than that of other men/women.					
10	I feel that at some point in my life I will have a sexually transmitted infection.					
11	If I had a sexually transmitted infection, I would know where to go for help.					
12	If I had a sexually transmitted infection, I could go for an examination on my own.					
13	I can recognise abnormal changes that occur in my genital area.					

No.	Statement	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Partially agree	Agree	Strongly agree
14	Having a sexually transmitted infection is not something to be ashamed of.					
15	If my sexually transmitted infection is treated, my risk of infertility decreases.					
16	If my sexually transmitted infection is treated, my risk of death decreases.					
17	If my sexually transmitted infection is treated, the risk of cervical cancer for me/my partner decreases.					
18	If my sexually transmitted infection is treated, my chance of having children increases.					
19	If my sexually transmitted infection is treated, the pleasure I get from sexual intercourse increases.					

Subscale Composition

Subscale	Item numbers
Perceived severity	Items 1-5 (preventive attitudes)
Perceived susceptibility	Items 6-10
Perceived barriers / self-efficacy	Items 11-14 (higher scores = fewer barriers, greater self-efficacy)
Perceived benefits	Items 15-19

Note. The original Turkish version of the questionnaire was administered to participants. This English translation has been prepared by the authors for the purpose of supplementary documentation and reporting; it has not been formally back-translated or psychometrically re-validated, and is intended to convey the content and structure of the instrument used in the present study.