Roland – Morris Acute Low Back Pain Disability Questionnaire

Name: (Please Print) ______________________ Date: __________

Age: ______ Date of Birth: __________ Occupation: ____________

How long have you had low back pain? ___ years ___ months ___ weeks

Is this your first episode of low back pain? ___ yes ___ no

Use the letters below to indicate the type and location of your sensations right now.
(Please remember to complete both sides of this form.)

A = Ache           B = Burning       N = Numbness
P = Pins and needles S = Stabbing     O = Other

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When your back hurts, you may find it difficult to do some of the things you normally do.

This list contains some sentences that people have used to describe themselves when they have back pain. When you read them, you may find that some stand out because they describe you today. As you read the list, think of yourself today. Check the box next to any sentence that describes you today. If the sentence does not describe you, then leave the space blank and go onto the next one. Remember, only check the sentence if you are sure it describes you today.

1. ☐ I stay home most of the time because of my back.
2. ☐ I change position frequently to try and get my back comfortable.
3. ☐ I walk more slowly than usual because of my back.
4. ☐ Because of my back, I am not doing any of the jobs that I usually do around the house.
5. ☐ Because of my back, I use a handrail to get upstairs.
6. ☐ Because of my back, I lie down to rest more often.
7. ☐ Because of my back, I have to hold onto something to get out of an easy chair.
8. ☐ Because of my back, I try to get other people to do things for me.
9. ☐ I get dressed more slowly than usual because of my back.
10. ☐ I only stand up for short periods of time because of my back.
11. ☐ Because of my back, I try not to bend or kneel down.
12. ☐ I find it difficult to get out of my chair because of my back.
13. ☐ My back pain is painful almost all the time.
14. ☐ I find it difficult to get out a chair because of my back.
15. ☐ My appetite is not very good because of my back pain.
16. ☐ I have trouble putting on my socks (or stockings) because of the pain in my back.
17. ☐ I only walk short distances because of my back pain.
18. ☐ I sleep less well because of my back.
20. ☐ I sit down for most of the day because of my back.
21. ☐ I avoid heavy jobs around the house because of my back.
22. ☐ Because of my back pain, I am more irritable and bad tempered with people than usual.
23. ☐ Because of my back, I go upstairs more slowly than usual.
24. ☐ I stay in bed most of the time because of my back.