Shy Bladder and Bowel Scale (SBBS)

This questionnaire asks you about common (yet uncomfortable) experience that individuals sometimes have when using a public restroom. Please answer honestly.

When in PUBLIC:		None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	Most of the time	All of the time
1	I get anxious when urinating					
2	I can't relax when urinating					
3	I worry I cannot empty my bladder when close to others					
4	If there are other people in the restroom I wait until they leave before urinating					
5	My anxiety about urinating in public has negatively impacted upon my life					
6	My anxiety about urinating in public interferes with my daily functioning					
7	I am anxious due to the fear of urinating in public					
8	The anxiety about urinating in public interferes with my social life					
9	I can't have a bowel motion when around others in a bathroom/restroom					
10	I avoid going to the toilet, even if I need to have a bowel motion					
11	I delay going to the toilet, even if I need to have a bowel motion					
12	I worry I cannot empty my bowel when close to others					
13	My bowel habits make my life unbearable					
14	My bowel habits are the most significant contributor to my anxiety levels in life					
15	My bowel habits reduce my quality of life					
16	My bowel habits make me feel frustrated					

Two total scores are derived from the SBBS, a paruresis subscale score (8-items; Q1-8), and a parcopresis subscale score (8-items; Q9-16). Responses are based on a 5-point scale ("None of the time" to "All of the time"; scores 0-4 respectively) with higher values representative of greater paruresis or parcopresis symptoms.

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