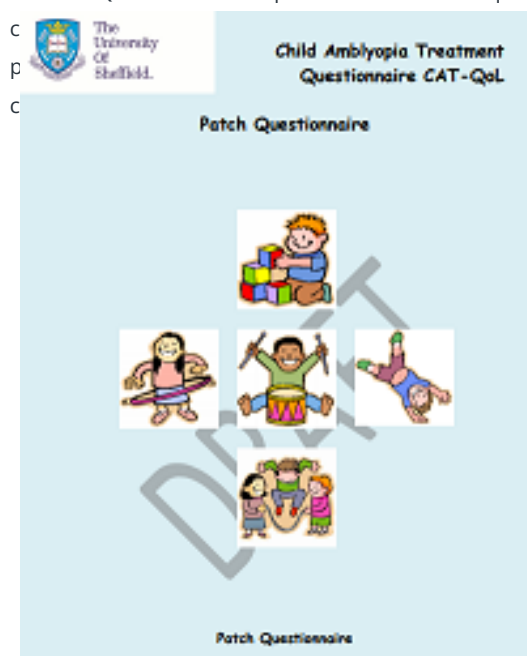


CAT-QoL - a paediatric disease-specific measure of health related quality of life.

The CAT-QoL is a paediatric disease-specific measure of health related quality of life. This has been developed with children aged between 4- 7 years with amblyopia. The items (questions) are based on interviews with over 50 children who had (or previously had) amblyopia.

The CAT-QoL is a disease-specific health related quality of life (HRQoL) measure for amblyopia in children aged 4-7 years. It consists of 25 items (questions), which encompass physical, social and emotional aspects of quality of life. The instrument has three response levels. The patients complete the questionnaire over a recall period of a week.



The CATQoL instrument was developed using “bottom-up” methods, and patient data was used at every stage in the instrument design. The instrument has been shown to have good content and face validity. The psychometric properties of the CAT-QoL instrument have been assessed following a multi-centre United Kingdom (UK) validation study. A Rasch scoring conversion chart is available.

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