

## Family Perceptions of Caregiving Role (FPCR)

### Description

The FPCR is an 81 item self-report tool developed to measure multiple dimensions of family member stress associated with an institutionalized AD relative. The content of the instrument was derived from the Person/Environment Fit and Interaction theoretical framework. The FPCR parallels the Staff Perceptions of Caregiving Role (SPCR).

### Reliability

**Currently we are using a subscale structure revised from the original:**

Conflict with staff	Items 1, 2, 7, 10, 11, 15, 16, 19, 41, 54
Captivity	Items 23, 34, 49, 56, 57, 59, and 61
Guilt	Items 25, 26, 28, 29, and 33
Loss	Items 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 53, 55

Hassle items (62-81) are treated as a separate scale. Family members, as well as staff, had some difficulty with these items and we have not reported results for the hassle subscale.

Using baseline data from the Phase II study, Cronbach's alphas were .73 for the Loss subscale, .70 for the Guilt subscale, .81 for the Captivity subscale, and .84 for the Conflict subscale.

**Note:** *Items 4, 7, 12-14, 17-19, 33, 41-43 need to be reversed (1=7, 2=6, 3=5, etc.) before scores are calculated.*

### Original Subscale Composition

Role	Outsider-insider	Items 1-5, 20
	Primary-secondary	Items 6,12,13,14
	Control-no control	Items 7,9,10,11,19
	Conflict-no conflict	Items 8,15-18
	Interactions/negotiations with staff	Items 41-43
Burden	General	Items 22,23,30,32,34,37,38,39
	Embarrassment	Items 24,36
	Guilt	Items 25,26,28,40
	Anger/resentment	Items 21,27,31,35
	Anxious/depressed	Items 29,33
	Hassled	Items 62-81
Loss	General	Items 44-49
	Grief/sorrow	Items 50-55
	Role deprivation/captivity	Items 56-61

### Development History

Developed by the investigators (Maas and Buckwalter). Some items were adapted from The Burden Inventory (Zarit, Orr & Zarit, 1985) and Kinney and Stephen's (1989) Hassle's Scale. Items concerning grief, role deprivation, and role captivity were adapted from measures developed by Pearlin, Mullan, Semple, and Skaff (1990).