

3-Item version of the MacArthur Competence Assessment Tool for Clinical Research (MacCAT-CR)

1.) What is the purpose of the study?

Notes on participant's response:

Score: _____

2.) What are the risks?

Notes on participant's response:

Score: _____

3.) What are the benefits?

Notes on participant's response:

Score: _____

TOTAL SCORE: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

If a participant's initial response is vague or suggests misunderstanding of the question itself, the researcher will be prompted for clarification or re-explanation of the question. Relevance information will not be re-disclosed at this point.

Each of the three items is given a score, 0 (incapable), 1 (questionable or intermediate), or 2 (capable). The higher the overall score (possible 0-6) reflects the better understanding. Each participant should be rated by two scorers who are unaware of each participant's diagnostic status, demographic, and clinical characteristics.