Voice Handicap Index (VHI)

Availability:	Please visit this website for more information about this instrument: PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION
Classification:	**Supplemental:** Acute Hospitalized, Concussion/Mild TBI, Epidemiology, Moderate/Severe TBI: Rehabilitation Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
Short Description of Instrument:	The Voice Handicap Index (VHI) is a 30-item instrument that is used to quantify the psychosocial consequences of voice disorders (Jacobson et al., 1997). The VHI questionnaire assesses the functional (10 questions); emotional (10 questions); and physical (10 questions) aspects of voice and effects of voice on quality of life.
Scoring:	**Scoring: Never = 0 points; Almost Never = 1 point; Sometimes = 2 points; Almost Always = 3; points; Always = 4 points** **Total Score:** **A change of 18 points in a total score or 8 points on any subscale (emotional, functional, or physical) is considered statistically significant.**

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