# Appendix 1 (as supplied by the authors): Web survey Welcome / Bienvenue O Voir cette page en Français? (if selected, the following questions would be in French) A. Information about yourself What is your age? O 18-24 O 25-29 O 30-39 O 40-44 O 45-54 O 55-59 O 60-64 O 65-79 O 80+ Please select your gender? O Female O Male O Other \_\_\_\_\_ Which province or territory is your primary residence? O Alberta O British Columbia O Manitoba O New Brunswick O Newfoundland and Labrador O Northwest Territories O Nova Scotia O Nunavut O Ontario O Prince Edward Island O Quebec O Saskatchewan O Yukon What is your highest level of education?

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O Less than high schoolO High school graduate

0	Some post-secondary
0	Post-secondary graduate
0	Greater than post-secondary (e.g. doctoral/professional degree)
What i	is your employment status?
	Employed, full time
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0	Employed, part time
O	Unemployed, but looking for work
0	Unemployed, but not looking for work
0	Student
0	Retired
0	Other
What i	is your household income? (Canadian Dollars)
0	Less than \$30,000
0	\$30,000 to \$59,999
0	\$60,000 to \$99,999
0	\$100,000 to \$150,000
0	More than \$150,000
_	Prefer not to disclose

## B. Questions about your attitudes for health risk

For each question, select the option that best reflects your opinion.

	Totally disagree						Totally agree
I think I take good care of my body.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
I don't want to have to consider the consequences for my health in everything that I do.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
It is important to me that I organize my life so that I will later enjoy good health.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
If it concerns my health, then I see myself as someone who avoids risks.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uncertainty about the consequences of a medical intervention is, in general, part of the game.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
My health means everything to me.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
When I look back at my past, I think that, in general, I did take risks with my health.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
If the doctor cannot offer me certainty about the possible consequences of a medical intervention, then I would rather not undergo it.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Safety first, where my health is concerned.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
To enjoy good health now and in the future, I am prepared to forego a lot.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
People say that I take risks with my health because of my habits.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
I'm not very fussy about my health.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
In general I would estimate that I would not have much of a problem with undergoing a high risk operation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

C.	Questions on your ability and preference for using and understanding health information.
How c	onfident are you filling out medical forms yourself?
0	Not at all
0	A little bit
0	Somewhat
	Quite a bit
0	Extremely
	ften do you have someone (like a family member, friend, hospital/clinic worker, or ver) help you read hospital materials?
0	Never
0	Occasionally
0	Sometimes
0	Often
0	Always
	ften do you have problems learning about your medical condition because of difficulty standing written information?
0	Never
0	Occasionally
0	Sometimes
0	Often
0	Always

For each of the following question the following things:	s, please checl	k the box	that best i	reflects ho	w good yo	ou are at doing
How good are you at working with fractions?	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Not at all good					Extremely good
How good are you at working with percentages?	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Not at all good					Extremely good
How good are you at calculating a 15% tip?	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Not at all good					Extremely good
How good are you at figuring out how much a shirt will cost if it is 25% off?	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Not at all good					Extremely good
For each of the following question	s, please checl	k the box	that best i	reflects yo	ur answer	:
When reading the newspaper, how helpful do you find tables and graphs that are parts of a story?	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Not at all helpful					Extremely helpful
When people tell you the chance of something happening, do you prefer that they use words ("it rarely happens") or numbers ("there's a 1% chance")?	0	0	0	0	Ο	0

	Always prefer words					Always prefer numbers
When you hear a weather forecast, do you prefer predictions using percentages (e.g., "there will be a 20% chance of rain today") or predictions using only words (e.g., "there is a small chance of rain today")?	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Always prefer percentages					Always prefer words
How often do you find numerical information to be useful?	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Never					Very Often

#### Which treatment do you prefer, treatment A or treatment B?

Treatment A	0
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5 people out of 100 will have to stop taking the treatment due to a temporary reaction to the drug	
Treatment B	0
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10 people out of 100 will have to stop taking the treatment due to a temporary reaction to the drug	
Unsure	0

### (if select Treatment A or unsure)

If the chance of withdrawal from Treatment B is more likely than the chance of withdrawal from Treatment A, how much more likely do you think it is?

The chance of withdrawal from Treatment B is [1-10] times more likely than the chance of withdrawal from Treatment A.

#### (if select Treatment B)

If the chance of withdrawal from Treatment A is more likely than the chance of withdrawal from Treatment B, how much more likely do you think it is?

The chance of withdrawal from Treatment A is [1-10] times more likely than the chance of withdrawal from Treatment B.

#### **END**