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This tool examines current knowledge and confidence in teaching rural characteristics. There are no right or wrong answers. Please be honest and

report your true reaction to each question by circling the number for the response that best describes your answer.

	How do you rate your <i>knowledge</i> regarding the following rural characteristics?					How do you rate your <i>confidence in teaching</i> the following rural characteristics?					
	Not at all Knowledgeable	Somewhat Knowledgeable	Neutral	Knowledgeable	Very Knowledgeable	Not at all confident	Somewhat confident	Neutral	Confident	Very confident	
Rural Environment							l		<u>l</u>	<u>l</u>	
1. Longer distances	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
2. Travel conditions	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
3. Availability of transportation	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Rural Health Risk/Issue											
4. Occupational safety	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
5. Weather exposure	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
6. Health literacy	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
7. Underinsurance or lack of insurance	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Rural Health Care Access											
8. Availability of health care services	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
9. Availability of primary care providers	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
10. Availability of specialists	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
11. Impact of public policy on rural health care	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Rural Health Care Technology											
12. Telehealth availability	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	

13. Availability of equipment	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Rural Nursing Practice										
14. Confidentiality and anonymity	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
15. Availability of professional development	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
16. Expert generalist role	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
17. Recruitment/ retention of nurses	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Rural Characteristics										
18. Delays in seeking treatment	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
19. Social support networks	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
20. Strong work ethic	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
21. Determination	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
22. Frugality	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
23. Lack of privacy	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
24. Church affiliation/religious	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
25. Resourcefulness	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
26. Self-reliance	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
27. Insider/outsider differentiation	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5

Additional Comments: