

## QualityMetric's Scientists to Present at Society of Behavioral Medicine Annual meeting

**Tuesday, April 21, 2009**

QualityMetric scientists will present two posters at the Society of Behavioral Medicine's 30th Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada, from April 22-25. Poster topics include the results of gender and age stratified focus groups conducted in the development of an item bank assessing role functioning, and how consumer and asthma specialist feedback is being used in the development of a dynamic assessment for asthma impact.

Posters and authors:

- Anatchkova M.D., Bjorner J.B. *Age and Gender Variations in Perceptions of Social Role Importance and Role Functioning.*  
Note: This research was supported by a career development award sponsored by the National Institute on Aging (NIA).
- Turner-Bowker D.M., Saris-Baglama R.N., DeRosa M.A., Paulsen C.A. *Development of a Dynamic Assessment for Asthma Impact: Incorporating Consumer and Asthma Specialist Feedback.*  
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Collectively, our scientists have decades of experience researching, studying, and developing patient-reported outcomes. In addition, they have extensive training in psychometrics, psychology, public health, sociology, Item Response Theory, clinical medicine, and more.