

# Scott & White Hospital & Clinics

## Clinical Research at Scott & White

**Study Title:** Computer –Assisted Health Related Quality of Life Assessment in Pediatric Endocrinology

**Project ID#:** 8607

**Department:** Pediatrics

**Sponsor:** Scott & White Memorial Hospital

### Brief Synopsis of the Study:

<b>Condition(s):</b>	<b>Treatment(s):</b>
<b>The purpose of this research study is to find out more about health-related quality of life in children and adolescents and to determine if it is better to ask questions about health-related quality of life on paper or using a computer. This information will help determine the usefulness of the existing questionnaires, test the administration of these questionnaires on a computer, and to develop new questionnaires.</b>	No Treatments

This research study is being done to find out more about how the health of children and adolescents is related to their quality of life. The reason for collecting this information is to find ways to improve health-related quality of life for specific groups of children and their families. The purpose of this research study is to identify health-related quality of life (HRQOL) outcomes. This study will be accomplished in two phases. Phase I of the project will help develop child self-reports and parent reports to measure quality of life in patients and/or parents who are seeking evaluation and/or treatment through Scott & White Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic to identify what treatment a child receives and their HRQOL outcomes. Phase II will be randomized, meaning similar to a flip of a coin (when there are two choices). Parent/ Child pairs will be asked to complete either the electronic version or the paper & pencil version of the PedsQL first. After each participant has completed the first mode of PedsQL, they will be asked to complete the alternative mode of administration of the PedsQL. Participants may be excluded if they have a major developmental disability, are not fluent in English, or have insufficient reading ability to complete study procedures.

**Who is eligible to participate in the study?**

**Age:** Individuals aged two - 18 seeking evaluation and/or treatment through the Scott & White Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic and their parents.

**Gender:** Male & Female

**What may be involved/required for subject participation? (Visits, tests, and/or logs etc.)**

This study will consist of one visit only. Both parent & child will be asked to complete separate questionnaires by computer or paper, or both depending on which phase you are recruited. After completion of the questionnaires, parent & child will both be asked brief questions/suggestions about how the computer version can be improved, or if the parent and child prefer paper & pencil questionnaires instead of computer questionnaires.

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