1. Do you currently dispense hearing aids?
   A. Yes
   B. No

2. Are you an audiologist?
   A. Yes
   B. No

3. In what Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) are you located?

4. In general, how many (what percentage) of your patients come to their clinical appointments with a significant other? Please mark the best answer.
   A. None (0%)
   B. More than none (0%) but less than a quarter (25%)
   C. More than a quarter (25%) but less than half (50%)
   D. About half (50%)
   E. More than half (50%) but less than three quarters (75%)
   F. More than three quarters (75%) but less than all (100%)
   G. All (100%)
   H. I don’t know
   I. Prefer not to answer

5. If a patient is accompanied by a significant other, what is their typical level of involvement? Please mark the best answer.
   A. Just drop the patient off
   B. Wait in the waiting room/lobby
   C. Come into the clinical test room with the patient for the entire appointment
   D. Join the patient in the clinical test room only for the counseling portion of the visit
   E. None of my patients come with a significant other
   F. Prefer not to answer
   G. Other: ________________________________

6. What counseling, beyond the use and care of the hearing aids, do you usually provide to your patients? You may choose more than one answer.
   A. Nothing
   B. Realistic expectations
   C. Use of other assistive listening technology
   D. Communication strategies
   E. Psychosocial consequences of hearing loss
   F. Prefer not to answer
   G. Other: ________________________________

7. How much time do you typically spend on counseling (to include those items in question #6) at the hearing-aid fitting appointment? Please mark the best answer.
   A. None
   B. Up to 10 minutes
   C. Between 11 and 20 minutes
   D. Between 21 and 30 minutes
   E. Between 31 and 40 minutes
   F. More than 40 minutes
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   G. Prefer not to answer

9. How often do you assess the motivation of your patients towards using hearing aids? Please mark the best answer.
   A. Always
   B. Very frequently
   C. Occasionally
   D. Rarely
   E. Very rarely
   F. Never
   G. Prefer not to answer

10. Before hearing aids are fit, how often do you assess your patient’s confidence regarding using hearing aids? Please mark the best answer.
    A. Always
    B. Very frequently
    C. Occasionally
    D. Rarely
    E. Very rarely
    F. Never
    G. Prefer not to answer

11. If you were to use a newly-developed pre hearing-aid fitting questionnaire, what is the maximum number of questions it should include? Please mark the best answer.
    A. None. I wouldn’t use one.
    B. Between 0 and 5
    C. Between 6 and 10
    D. Between 11 and 15
    E. Between 16 and 20
    F. Doesn’t matter if it helps improve patient outcomes
    G. Prefer not to answer
    H. Other (please specify): ________________________________

12. If a new counseling methodology were developed that could improve your patient’s outcomes with hearing aids and potentially reduce the need for follow-up appointments, how much additional clinical time, with a given patient, would you be willing to dedicate to using it? Please mark the best answer.
    A. None
    B. Up to 10 minutes
    C. Between 11 and 20 minutes
    D. Between 21 and 30 minutes
    E. Between 31 and 40 minutes
    F. More than 40 minutes
    G. Doesn’t matter if it improves patient outcomes
    H. Prefer not to answer