REALM-SF Score Sheet

Patient ID #: ________________________  Date: ___________  Examiner Initials: ____

Behavior   ____
Exercise    ____
Menopause   ____
Rectal      ____
Antibiotics ____
Anemia      ____
Jaundice    ____

TOTAL SCORE ____

Administering the REALM-SF:

Suggested Introduction:

“Providers often use words that patients don’t understand. We are looking at words providers often use with their patients in order to improve communication between health care providers and patients. Here is a list of medical words.

Starting at the top of the list, please read each word aloud to me. If you don’t recognize a word, you can say ‘pass’ and move on to the next word.”

Interviewer: Give the participant the word list. If the participant takes more than 5 seconds on a words, say “pass” and point to the next word. Hold this scoring sheet so that it is not visible to the participant.