## Scale Items Administered in Phase II Qualitative Interviews

The following 44-items were administered during Phase II cognitive interviews. Items that were removed after the interviews are displayed in grey. Items that were modified after the interviews are displayed in *italics*.

Instructions: Please rate whether the following statements are typical of you.

**1 2 3 4**

(Rarely true for me) (Sometimes true for me) (Often true for me) (Nearly always true for me)

**Life Engagement**

1. I strive to live as well as I can for as long as I’m alive.

2. I have goals that I hope to accomplish in my lifetime.

3 I feel no joy in my life. (R)

*4. Most days, I find that I am able to be present and engaged in things that are important to me.*

5. I try to have as many good experiences as I can with my loved ones.

*6. I find moments of joy or happiness in many of my days.*

7. My life feels empty much of the time. (R)

8. I don’t seem to be able to enjoy things anymore. (R)

9. I don’t feel like I have anything to look forward to. (R)

10. I believe I have a positive impact on those around me.

11. I make sure my loved ones know what they mean to me.

12. I create new goals for myself based on what is possible at this time.

13. I feel engaged in my life.

14. I feel a strong sense of connection to people who are important to me.

15. I feel detached from those around me. (R)

*16. I find it hard to be interested in people or activities. (R)*

17. I feel that my life is worth living.

18. My whole life has become focused on my disease and treatment.

*19. I find pleasure or satisfaction in some moments of my life.*

*20. Nothing in my life seems to matter to me anymore. (R)*

21. My life is made up of more than just my illness and treatment.

**Death Contemplation**

1. I have thought about what my death might be like.

2. I am reluctant to make plans because I don’t know how well I will be or how much time I have left.

3. I have begun to put my affairs in order.

*4. I have spoken with my family members about what will happen after my death.*

*5. I have made plans for my family for after I’m gone.*

6. I have thought about how I would like to be remembered after I die.

7. I get upset when I am reminded of my mortality. (R)

8. I work hard to avoid thinking about my death. (R)

9. Thinking about dying makes me feel hopeless. (R)

10. Thinking about my death makes me feel hopeless. (R)

11. I avoid thinking about dying. (R)

12. I can imagine what I would want people to say about me in a memorial or eulogy.

13. I am open to having conversations about my death with others.

14. I am able to contemplate my death.

15. I have talked to my loved ones about the care I would like to receive in the last part of my life.

16. I can think about dying and death without feeling overwhelmed.

17. I want to pursue all medical treatment no matter how small the likelihood of benefit. (R)

18. I can imagine a time when I will choose not to pursue further medical treatment for my disease.

19. I have talked with close others about my expected survival.

20. Thinking about my life being over is too upsetting to consider. (R)

21. I can imagine discontinuing medical treatment if there were not sufficient benefit.

**Oscillation:**

1. I accept that I have good days and bad days.

2. I prepare for the worst and hope for the best.

*New item added as a result of qualitative interviews:*

1. I have thought about my legacy.