

**APPENDIX****A sample of the physician-administered questionnaire on epidemiological risk factors for fish bone ingestion.**

1. Patient characteristics:
  - Age
  - Gender
  - Racial group
2. Do you require assistance with feeding?
  - Yes/No
3. What utensils were you using at the time of ingesting this fish bone?
  - Chopsticks
  - Fork and spoon
  - Fingers
  - Others
4. How do you debone fish?
  - Debone fish on the plate before putting it into the mouth
  - Put fish into the mouth and debone using lips and tongue
  - Others
5. What is your frequency of eating boned fish?
  - Almost every day
  - 2–3 times per week
  - Rarely
6. Do you use dentures?
  - Using dentures at the time of ingestion
  - Not using dentures but have less than half my teeth intact
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7. Do you have any problems with your vision (after correction with glasses)?
  - Yes; please specify
  - No
8. Presence of fish bone on physical examination:
  - Yes/No