Oxford Covid-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Scale (Freeman et al, 2020)

This is a seven-item measure, derived from a study with 5,114 UK adults, quota sampled to match the population for age, gender, ethnicity, income, and region. Item specific response options, coded from 1 to 5, are used. A ‘Don’t know’ option is also provided, which is excluded from scoring. Higher scores indicate a higher level of vaccine hesitancy. The Oxford COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Scale scores are associated with the Vaccine Hesitancy Scale (Shapiro et al, 2018), r=0.47, p< 0.001. The Cronbach’s alpha is 0.97. Full details of the questionnaire development can be found in the supplementary materials of the paper.

These questions ask how you would respond if there was an approved COVID-19 vaccine for the NHS.

1. Would you take a COVID-19 vaccine (approved for use in the UK) if offered?
   - Definitely
   - Probably
   - I may or I may not
   - Probably not
   - Definitely not
   - Don’t know

2. If there is a COVID-19 vaccine available:
   - I will want to get it as soon as possible
   - I will take it when offered
   - I’m not sure what I will do
   - I will put off (delay) getting it
   - I will refuse to get it
   - Don’t know

3. I would describe my attitude towards receiving a COVID-19 vaccine as:
   - Very keen
   - Pretty positive
   - Neutral
   - Quite uneasy
   - Against it
   - Don’t know

4. If a COVID-19 vaccine was available at my local pharmacy, I would:
   - Get it as soon as possible
   - Get it when I have time
   - Delay getting it
   - Avoid getting it for as long as possible
   - Never get it
   - Don’t know

5. If my family or friends were thinking of getting a COVID-19 vaccination, I would:
   - Strongly encourage them
   - Encourage them
   - Not say anything to them about it
   - Ask them to delay getting the vaccination
   - Suggest that they do not get the vaccination
   - Don’t know

6. I would describe myself as:
   - Eager to get a COVID-19 vaccine
   - Willing to get the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Not bothered about getting the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Unwilling to get the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Anti-vaccination for COVID-19
   - Don’t know

7. Taking a COVID-19 vaccination is:
   - Really important
   - Important
   - Neither important nor unimportant
   - Unimportant
   - Really unimportant
   - Don’t know