Understanding the impact of hyperphagia

| | Suggested questions for caregiver | Suggested questions for patient |
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| Sleep | Does the patient wake up asking or searching for food during the night? How does this affect the patient's sleep? How does this affect you? | Do you wake up asking or searching for food during the night? [If yes] How does this affect your sleep? |
| Mood | How does hunger impact the patient's mood? Does the patient feel stressed due to feelings of hunger? How does this affect the patient's ability to get things done at home or at work? | Do you ever feel hungry after you just ate? Do you ever feel stressed out due to hunger, or worry about food? |
| School/Work | Does hunger impact the patient's ability to concentrate at school or work? How? | How does hunger impact your ability to concentrate at school or work? |
| Recreational activities | Does hunger impact the patient's ability to participate in recreational activities? | Has hunger ever impacted your ability to participate in recreational activities? |
| Relationships with family/ friends | How does hunger impact the patient's relationships with other family members/friends? Have you had any uncomfortable or strained interactions with your family or friends due to your child's hunger? | How does your hunger impact your relationships with family or friends? |



Characteristics and behaviors of hyperphagia¹



Heightened and prolonged **hunger**



Longer time to reach **satiety**



Shorter duration of satiety



Severe preoccupation with food



Food-seeking behaviors (night eating, stealing food, foraging for food in trash)



Distress and inappropriate response **if denied food**

Reference: 1. Heymsfield SB, et al. Obesity (Silver Spring). 2014;22(suppl 1):S1-S17.

