

## Internal Consistency

N	Item	R	Sig.
1	I make definitive diagnosis for patient with chronic cough based on history & physical examination	.432**	p < .01
2	I make definitive diagnosis for patient with chronic cough based on further tests	.511**	p < .01
3	I make definitive diagnosis for patient with chronic cough based on response to empiric therapy	.462**	p < .01
4	I find the etiology of most of chronic cough cases is infection	.504**	p < .01
5	I find the etiology of most of chronic cough cases is allergy	.605**	p < .01
6	I find the etiology of most of chronic cough cases is inflammation	.406**	p < .01
7	I find the etiology of most of chronic cough cases is medications	.378**	p < .01
8	I find the etiology of most of chronic cough cases is malignancy	.285**	p < .01
9	I do not treat patient with chronic cough unless I make definitive diagnosis	.449**	p < .01
10	I explain to patient that most of chronic cough are self-limited	.523**	p < .01
11	I advise patient with chronic cough about nonpharmacological remedies	.516**	p < .01
12	If upper airway cough syndrome is suspected, I prescribe a decongestant & an antihistamine	.551**	p < .01
13	If bronchial asthma is suspected, I prescribe an inhaled bronchodilators or corticosteroids	.481**	p < .01
14	If gastroesophageal reflux disease is suspected, I prescribe an antacid agent	.434**	p < .01
15	If ACE inhibitors using is suspected, I shift to another antihypertensive agent	.374**	p < .01
16	If an environmental irritant is suspected; I eliminate the patient's exposure to irritants	.557**	p < .01
17	Then after, if chronic cough persists; I think about psychogenic cough	.422**	p < .01
18	I refer patient with chronic cough to specialized physician	.566**	p < .01
19	I approach the child with chronic cough as same as adult approach	.555**	p < .01
20	I advise parents against administering cough medications to children younger than 4 years	.195*	p < .05

Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed) .\*\*

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Alpha coefficient is (0.789)