**S2 Supporting information file: Showing full references for all included studies.**

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| Number | Full reference | Assess-ment area | Trans-lation guide | Forward/forward-backward | Trans-lation guide | Expert panel review | Experts mother tongue as target | Use of target audience | Internal validity | Relia-  bility | Criterion validity | construct validity |
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