Variables, which were tested for statistically significant group differences for response or nonresponse at birth (postnatal) and the ages of 5 years, 9 years, 16 years, and 30 years.

|  | Variable | Type | number of categories |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Birth | Distance to hospital | ordinal | 3 |
|  | Father's social class | ordinal | 5 |
|  | Marital status | ordinal | 3 |
|  | Mother's age | continuous |  |
|  | Gender | categorical | 2 |
|  | Birth weight | continuous |  |
|  | Weeks of gestation | continuous |  |
|  | Small for date | categorical | 2 |
|  | Large for date | categorical | 2 |
|  | Apgar score 1 min | continuous |  |
|  | Apgar score 5 min | continuous |  |
|  | Apgar score 15 min | continuous |  |
|  | Weight gain of mother | ordinal | 2 |
|  | X-ray investigation during pregnancy | categorical | 2 |
|  | Smoking during pregnancy | categorical | 2 |
|  | Number of prior miscarriages | continuous |  |
|  | Pregnancy complications (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | Toxemia | categorical | 2 |
|  | Resuscitation postnatally | continuous |  |
|  | Hyperbilirubinemia | continuous |  |
|  | Respiratory difficulties | continuous |  |
|  | Neurological findings | continuous |  |
|  | Amniotic fluid (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | Placental abnormalities (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | Cord complications (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | Number of medical procedures (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | Number of drugs given during labor | continuous |  |
|  | Cesarean section | categorical | 2 |
|  | Duration of first phase of delivery | continuous |  |
|  | Duration of second phase of delivery | continuous |  |
| 5 years | Housing conditions (Number occupants / room) | continuous |  |
|  | Months mother working during pregnancy | ordinal | 3 |
|  | Parity | continuous |  |
|  | Social distress (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | Domestic disputes | categorical | 2 |


|  | Goodenough Draw-a-person test (DAP) | continuous |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NDS coordination (composite score) |  |  |
|  | NDS behavior (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | NDS total score | continuous |  |
|  | Dubowitz test total score | continuous |  |
|  | ITPA average score | continuous |  |
| 9 years | Social distress (composite score) | continuous |  |
|  | Special class | ordinal | 4 |
|  | Teacher's assessment of school achievement | ordinal | 5 |
|  | Remedial tutoring | categorical | 2 |
|  | Teacher's assessment of coordinative ability | ordinal | 5 |
|  | Teachers assessment of restlessness | ordinal | 5 |
|  | Teachers assessment of adjustment | ordinal | 5 |
|  | Parents' assessment of school achievement | ordinal | 5 |
|  | School grades | continuous |  |
|  | ITPA average score | continuous |  |
|  | WISC VIQ | continuous |  |
|  | WISC PIQ | continuous |  |
|  | WISC IQ | continuous |  |
|  | Parents' perceived benefit of participation in study | ordinal | 3 |
|  | TOMI total score | continuous |  |
|  | Goodenough Draw-a-person test (DAP) | continuous |  |
| 16 years | Current school / occupational status | ordinal | 4 |
|  | Occupational plan | ordinal | 4 |
|  | Parents assessment | ordinal | 5 |
|  | YSR sum score | continuous |  |
|  | YSR internalizing | continuous |  |
|  | YSR externalizing | continuous |  |

ITPA = Illinois Test of Psycholinquistic Ability, NDS = Neurodevelopmental Screening test, WAIS = Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children, IQ = intelligence quotient, VIQ = visual intelligence quotient, PIQ = performance intelligence quotient, TOMI = Test of Motor Impairment, YSR = Youth Self Rating (Achenbach)

