3D: Geriatric Assessment tools

Folstein Mini Mental Status Examination

Timed get up and go test

Goal 10-14s, 1 practice, 3 trials

- •Rising from an armless chair
- •Walking 3 meters (10 feet)
- Turning
- •Walking Back
- Sitting down again

Mini-Cog (3 item recall)

- •Give 3 items
- Ask to repeat
- Divert (using Clock Drawing Test)
- •Recall (Score: 1 point for each recalled)

Animal Naming

- •Scoring = # animals named in 1 minute
- 18 = average
- 12 = abnormal

Geriatric Depression Screening-5

- •1. Are you basically satisfied with your life?
- •2. Do you often get bored?
- •3. Do you often feel helpless?
- •4. Do you prefer to stay home at night, rather than go out and do new things?
- •5. Do you feel pretty worthless the way you are now?
- 0-1 = Not Depressed
- ≥ 2 = Depressed

Task	Instructions	Scoring	Max Points
Date Orientation	"Tell me the date?" Ask for omitted items	1 for year, season, date, day of week, and month	5
Place Orientation	"Where are you?" Ask for omitted items.	1 for state, county, town, building, and floor or room	5
Register 3 Objects	Name three objects slowly and clearly. Ask the patient to repeat them.	1 for each item correctly repeated	3
Serial Sevens	Ask the patient to count backwards from 100 by 7. Stop after five answers. (Or ask them to spell "world" backwards.)	1 for each correct answer (or letter)	5
Recall 3 Objects	Ask the patient to recall the objects mentioned above.	1 for each item correctly remembered	3
Naming	Point to your watch and ask the patient "what is this?" Repeat with a pencil.	1 for each correct answer	2
Repeating a Phrase	Ask the patient to say "no ifs, ands, or buts."	1 if successful on first try	1
Verbal Commands	Give the patient a plain piece of paper and say "Take this paper in your right hand, fold it in half, and put it on the floor."	1 for each correct action	3
Written Commands	Show the patient a piece of paper with "CLOSE YOUR EYES" printed on it.	1 if the patient's eyes close	1
Writing	Ask the patient to write a sentence.	1 if sentence has a subject, a verb, and makes sense	1
Drawing	Ask the patient to copy a pair of intersecting pentagons onto a piece of paper.	1 f the figure has 10 corners and 2 intersecting lines	1
Scoring	≥ 24 can be normal		30

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