



PAIN ASSESSMENT IN ADVANCED DEMENTIA SCALE (PAINAD) INSTRUMENT

Items	Score = 0	Score = 1	Score = 2	Score
Breathing Independent of vocalization	■ Normal	Occasional labored breathingShort period of hyperventilation	 Noisy labored breathing Long period of hyperventilation Cheyne-Stokes respirations 	
Negative vocalization	■ None	 Occasional moan or groan Low-level speech with a negative or disapproving quality 	Repeated troubled calling outLoud moaning or groaningCrying	
Facial expression	Smiling or inexpressive	SadFrightenedFrown	■ Facial grimacing	
Body language	■ Relaxed	TenseDistressed pacingFidgeting	RigidFists clenchedKnees pulled upPulling or pushing awayStriking out	
Consolability	No need to console	 Distracted or reassured by voice or touch 	 Unable to console, distract, or reassure 	
TOTAL SCORE				

Note. Total scores range from 0 to 10 (based on a scale of 0 to 2 for each of five items), with a higher score indicating more behaviors indicating pain (0 = no observable pain to 10 = highest observable pain).

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