



PCC Comprehensive Elder Exam (HIS-865)

Overview

The PCC Comprehensive Elder Exam (also available in PCC+) provides a guide to comprehensive geriatric assessment for the individual provider. The goal of the form is to allow the provider to approximate the interdisciplinary team evaluation. In doing so it should make comprehensive geriatric assessment accessible to all elders.

The Comprehensive Elder Exam can also be used by Community Health Nurses, Community Health Aides and Community Health Representatives as part of a community-based assessment.

The PCC Comprehensive Elder Exam guides the practitioner through a high quality geriatric assessment and makes this process available to all elders.

Duration

Experience with the PCC Comprehensive Elder Exam in Zuni indicates that the complete assessment with targeted physical exam can be done in about 45 minutes. With a well elder, the exam can be completed in 30 minutes; with a very sick or frail elder, the exam will take longer.

Prescreening the chart and noting the dates of completion of the health care maintenance items between the bold lines on the right border improves efficiency.

—Bruce Finke, M.D.

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PCC Comprehensive Elder Exam: Anatomy

1 In the upper left corner is the assessment of basic and instrumental activities of daily living or the Functional Status Assessment. This is an essential element in geriatric assessment. A decline in functional status should trigger an investigation into causes and possible interventions. The Functional Status data can also be entered into RPMS, providing valuable information to understand long term care needs of elders. There are also questions that address health habits, work status, social supports and assistive devices.

Functional Status			
	Independent	Needs Help	Totally Dependent
ADL			
Toileting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bathing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dressing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transfers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Feeding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Continence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IADL			
Finances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cooking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shopping	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housework/Chores	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medications	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Change in Data Entry Software			
Same	Improvement	Decline	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

2 **The Geriatric Review of Systems** differs from the traditional review of systems in two ways. While traditional ROS is organ and disease focused, the geriatric ROS highlights the high prevalence, multifactorial geriatric syndromes (i.e. falls, incontinence, pain) and emphasizes function as well as disease finding.

The last section across the top gives room for relevant medical history and allergies.

Review of Systems			PMH/Sur
Problems with:	NO	YES	Allergies:
Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Vision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Dentition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sleep	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Continence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Prostatism	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Digestion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mobility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Falls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Affect	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cognition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Substance Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Abuse/Neglect	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Skin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sexual Function/Gyn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

PCC Comprehensive Elder Exam: Anatomy (cont'd)

- 4 The central portion of the form allows for a targeted physical exam and the space to document details of issues addressed previously.

Sexual Function/Dyn

Chief Complaint/Review of System/Physical Exam

N

List all Medications		Est. Creatinine Clearance:

HR #		SSN #
NAME		
B DATE	SEX	TRIBE

- 5 At the bottom is an area for medication review with the estimation of creatinine clearance to facilitate proper medication dosing. On the back of the PCC are a variety of tips and sample questions to help the provider with less experience at geriatric assessment.