

Assessment Of The Elderly Patient

Table 1. — Examples of Domains of the Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment and Potential Clinical Applications

Domain	Clinical Application
Functional Status Activities of daily living Instrumental activities of daily living	Relation to life expectancy Functional dependence Tolerance of stress
Comorbidity Number of comorbid conditions and comorbidity indices	Relation to life expectancy Tolerance of stress
Mental Status Mini-Mental State Examination (Folstein test)	Relation to life expectancy and dependence
Emotional Conditions Geriatric Depression Scale	Relation to survival May indicate motivation to receive treatment
Nutritional Status Mini Nutritional Assessment	Reversible condition Possible relationship to survival
Polypharmacy	Risk of drug interactions
Geriatric Syndromes Delirium Dementia Depression Falls Incontinence Spontaneous bone fractures Neglect and abuse Failure to thrive	Relationship to survival and stress tolerance Functional dependence May be reversible to some extent

The geriatric assessment aids in the diagnosis of medical conditions; A patient presenting with confusion may not have a neurologic problem. Evaluation of the Elderly Patient - Explore from the MSD Manuals - Medical Professional Version. The examination of an elderly patient often requires special techniques and attention to the patient's comfort and ease. This paper outlines a J Intraven Nurs. Mar-Apr; 15 Suppl: S Nursing assessment of the elderly patient. Whitehouse MJ. Assessment, the first phase of the nursing process. This article highlights essential skills to use when assessing geriatric patients in any clinical setting. After describing how to assess the integumentary system. This is an overview of the things to look out for during examination of the older patient. GERIATRIC FUNCTIONAL ASSESSMENT. An educational exercise with a Standardized Patient Instructor emphasizing functional status assessment and with elderly patients. Generalisations can often be made to the detriment of older patients. Primary diagnoses are more important than secondary concerns. How GPs approach the assessment of the elderly patient depends on a number of factors, including the patient's capacity to make a decision. Older patients are likely to represent an increasing proportion of the caseload of general Health assessments of older people have two important functions. To understand how functional assessment benefits the patient and family. comprehensive assessment of the frail elderly patient provides. Systematic comprehensive geriatric assessment in elderly patients on chronic dialysis: a cross-sectional comparative and feasibility study. Juliette L. Chapter Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment: A Multidimensional be part of a coordinated care plan with the patient's other health care providers. This review will assess the effects of Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment (CGA) on postoperative outcomes of elderly patients admitted to. The challenge for oncologists is to determine the optimum treatment for elderly patients. The Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment (CGA) is the main tool to take. An essential guide for assessing the head, including facial characteristics, when performing a physical examination in the elderly patient. The preoperative assessment of the elderly patient for surgery is crucial to the success of procedures in this population. This evaluation.

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