

# Form B4: CDR® Dementia Staging Instrument

## PLUS NACC FTLD Behavior & Language Domains (CDR® Plus NACC FTLD)

ADRC name: \_\_\_\_\_ Participant ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Form date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Visit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Examiner's initials: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:** This form is to be completed by the clinician or other trained health professional, based on co-participant report and behavioral and neurological exam of the participant. In the extremely rare instances when no co-participant is available, the clinician or other trained health professional must complete this form using all other available information and his/her best clinical judgment. Score only as decline from previous level due to cognitive loss, not impairment due to other factors, such as physical disability.

For information on the required online CDR training, see the [UDS Coding Guidebook](#) for Initial Visit Packet, Form B4.

### Section 1 – CDR® Dementia Staging Instrument<sup>1</sup>

Impairment					
Please enter scores (below):	None = 0	Questionable = 0.5	Mild = 1	Moderate = 2	Severe = 3
<b>1. Memory</b> ____ . ____	No memory loss, or slight inconsistent forgetfulness	Consistent slight forgetfulness; partial recollection of events; "benign" forgetfulness	Moderate memory loss, more marked for recent events; defect interferes with everyday activities	Severe memory loss; only highly learned material retained; new material rapidly lost	Severe memory loss; only fragments remain
<b>2. Orientation</b> ____ . ____	Fully oriented	Fully oriented except for slight difficulty with time relationships	Moderate difficulty with time relationships; oriented for place at examination; may have geographic disorientation elsewhere	Severe difficulty with time relationships; usually disoriented to time, often to place	Oriented to person only
<b>3. Judgment &amp; Problem Solving</b> ____ . ____	Solves everyday problems, handles business and financial affairs well; judgment good in relation to past performance	Slight impairment in solving problems, similarities, and differences	Moderate difficulty in handling problems, similarities, and differences; social judgment usually maintained	Severely impaired in handling problems, similarities, and differences; social judgment usually impaired	Unable to make judgments or solve problems
<b>4. Community Affairs</b> ____ . ____	Independent function at usual level in job, shopping, volunteer and social groups	Slight impairment in these activities	Unable to function independently at these activities, although may still be engaged in some; appears normal to casual inspection	No pretense of independent function outside the home; appears well enough to be taken to functions outside the family home	No pretense of independent function outside the home; appears too ill to be taken to functions outside the family home
<b>5. Home &amp; Hobbies</b> ____ . ____	Life at home, hobbies, and intellectual interests well maintained	Life at home, hobbies, and intellectual interests slightly impaired	Mild but definite impairment of function at home; more difficult chores abandoned; more complicated hobbies and interests abandoned	Only simple chores preserved; very restricted interests, poorly maintained	No significant function in the home
<b>6. Personal Care</b> ____ . <b>0</b>	Fully capable of self-care (= 0)		Needs prompting	Requires assistance in dressing, hygiene, keeping of personal effects	Requires much help with personal care; frequent incontinence
<b>7. CDR Sum of Boxes</b> ____ . ____		<b>8. Global CDR</b> ____ . ____			

<sup>1</sup>Morris JC. The Clinical Dementia Rating (CDR): Current version and scoring rules. Neurology 43(11):2412-4, 1993. Copyright© Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins. Reproduced by permission.

**(Optional) Section 2 - NACC FTLD Behavior & Language Domains**

Impairment					
Please enter scores (below):	None = 0	Questionable = 0.5	Mild = 1	Moderate = 2	Severe = 3
<b>9. Behavior, Comportment, &amp; Personality<sup>2</sup></b>  ____ • ____	Socially appropriate behavior	Questionable changes in comportment, empathy, appropriateness of actions	Mild but definite changes in behavior	Moderate behavioral changes, affecting interpersonal relationships and interactions in a significant manner	Severe behavioral changes, making interpersonal interactions all unidirectional
<b>10. Language<sup>3</sup></b>  ____ • ____	No language difficulty, or occasional mild tip-of-the-tongue	Consistent mild word-finding difficulties; simplification of word choice; circumlocution; decreased phrase length; and/or mild comprehension difficulties	Moderate word-finding difficulty in speech; cannot name objects in environment; reduced phrase length and/or agrammatical speech and/or reduced comprehension in conversation and reading	Moderate to severe impairments in either speech or comprehension; has difficulty communicating thoughts; writing may be slightly more effective	Severe comprehension deficits; no intelligible speech

<sup>2</sup>Excerpted from the *Frontotemporal Demential Multicenter Instrument & MR Study* (Mayo Clinic, UCSF, UCLA, UW). <sup>3</sup>Excerpted from the *PPA-CDR: A modification of the CDR for assessing dementia severity in patients with primary progressive aphasia* (Johnson N, Weintraub S, Mesulam MM), 2002.