

Family Report: Patient Behavior

The information provided in this questionnaire helps the doctor decide if an important memory problem is present. **It should be filled out by someone with close, frequent contact with the person with the memory problem.** Answer all questions to the best of your knowledge. If the person does not ever do the activity described, circle the answer that is your best guess as to what the person **could** do.

The name of the person is: _____

1. Does the person sometimes have trouble writing checks, paying bills, or balancing a checkbook?
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2. Does the person sometimes have trouble assembling tax records, business affairs, or papers?
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3. Does the person sometimes have trouble shopping alone for clothes, household necessities, or groceries?
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4. Does the person sometimes have trouble playing a game of skill or working on a hobby?
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5. Does the person sometimes have trouble heating water, making a cup of coffee, or turning off the stove?

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6. Does the person sometimes have trouble preparing a complete meal?

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7. Does the person sometimes have trouble keeping track of current events?

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8. Does the person sometimes have trouble paying attention to, understanding, or discussing a TV show or book?

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9. Does the person sometimes have trouble remembering appointments, family occasions, holidays, or medications?

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10. Does the person sometimes have trouble traveling out of the neighborhood, driving, or arranging to take buses?

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My name is: _____

My telephone is: _____

Scoring the Family Report: Patient Behavior

Score the response to each question on the Patient Behavior form, as follows:

Unable to perform = 3

Needs help = 2

Has trouble, but able = 1

Normal ability = 0

SOURCE: The questions in PPE's Family Report: Patient Behavior questionnaire are based on those in the Functional Activities Questionnaire (FAQ). See Pfeffer RI, Kurosaki TT, Harrah CH, et al. Measurement of functional activities of older adults in the community. *J. Gerontol* 1982;37:323-339.