

## Geriatric Depression Scale

Resident Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Staff Interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
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### Check Response

**DK**=Don't Know **NR**=No Response or Nonsense Response **REF**=Refusal to answer question

**IF RESPONSE OF "SOMETIMES", RESTATE THE QUESTION: "How do you feel MOST of the time?"**

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|---|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. Are you basically satisfied with your life?                  | ___ YES        | ___ <b>NO</b> | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 2. Have you dropped most of your activities and interests?      | ___ <b>YES</b> | ___ NO        | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 3. Do you feel that your life is empty?                         | ___ <b>YES</b> | ___ NO        | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 4. Do you often get bored?                                      | ___ <b>YES</b> | ___ NO        | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 5. Are you in good spirits most of the time?                    | ___ YES        | ___ <b>NO</b> | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 6. Are you afraid that something bad is going to happen to you? | ___ <b>YES</b> | ___ NO        | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 7. Do you feel happy most of the time?                          | ___ YES        | ___ <b>NO</b> | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 8. Do you often feel helpless?                                  | ___ <b>YES</b> | ___ NO        | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 9. Do you think it is wonderful to be alive?                    | ___ YES        | ___ <b>NO</b> | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 10. Do you feel worthless the way you are now?                  | ___ <b>YES</b> | ___ NO        | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 11. Do you feel full of energy?                                 | ___ YES        | ___ <b>NO</b> | ___ DK/NR/REF |
| 12. Do you feel that your situation is hopeless?                | ___ <b>YES</b> | ___ NO        | ___ DK/NR/REF |

**SCORE > 4 = PROBABLE DEPRESSION**

**TOTAL SCORE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Scoring System: Each BOLD-FACED answer counts one (1) point.**

**Do not calculate total score if more than 4 of the 12 questions have DK/NR/REF answers. Print note. "No score due to incomplete resident responses"**

**Interview outcome**  
Complete \_\_\_ 1  
Incomplete DK \_\_\_ 2  
Incomplete NR \_\_\_ 3  
Incomplete REF \_\_\_ 4