

Abbreviated mental test

Each question below scores 1 mark. A score of 8 or less has been used to define mental confusion in the CRB-65 severity score. Ask about:

1. age
2. recognition of two persons, e.g. doctor, nurse
3. date of birth
4. recalling address, e.g. 42 West Street
5. time to the nearest hour
6. date of the second world war
7. year
8. name of prime minister
9. address or location (ask the patient where they are)
10. counting backwards 20 to 1

Reference: aucklandregion.communityhealthpathways.org