

Early Dementia Phase Clinical Toolkit

Assessment Tools for Early Dementia:

Recommendations regarding the selection, approach and use of assessment techniques and tools appropriate for assessing early cognitive-related changes are included in the [Clinical Learning Resources Page](#).

Examples of Assessment tools[†] suitable for Early Phase Dementia, delirium and depression may include (but are not limited to):

- [Standardized Mini-Mental status examination](#) (Note: Interior Health staff should use form)
- [Clock Drawing Test](#)
- [Montreal Cognitive Assessment \(MoCA\)](#);
- [Global Deterioration Scale \(GDS\)](#)
- [Confusion Assessment Method \(CAM\)](#)
- [Geriatric Depression Scale tool set](#) (multi-language and phone APP versions available)
- [Cornell Scale for Depression](#)

Additional Practice Support Tools

- [Clinical Features of Delirium, Depression and Dementia](#)
- [Questions to ask when cognitive impairment is suspected](#)
- [The importance of early diagnosis](#)
- [Preparing for your doctors visit](#) (brochure for clients)
- [Principles for a dignified diagnosis](#)