### Timed Walking and Hand Grip Assessments

**Form 43 – FRAILTY**

**MARKING INSTRUCTIONS**
- Use a No. 2 pencil only.
- Do not use ink, ballpoint, or felt tip pens.
- Make solid marks that fill the circle completely.
- Erase cleanly any marks you wish to change.

**Correct Mark**

**Incorrect Marks**

- Make no stray marks on this form.
- Do not fold, tear, or mutilate this form.

- **Use a No. 2 Pencil Only**

**Section A: Measured Walk**

A1. Does the participant use an assistive device for walking?
- No [ ] Go to A2 [ ] Yes [ ]
  a. What type of device?
    - Standard cane [ ]
    - Quad cane [ ]
    - Walker [ ]
    - Wheelchair [ ]
    - White cane [ ]
    - Crutches (1 or 2) [ ]
    - Other [ ]
      Specify: [ ]

A2. Is the participant wearing a lower extremity orthosis (plastic or metal leg brace at or above the ankle)?
- No [ ] Yes [ ]

A3. Is the participant missing any limbs?
- No [ ] Go to A5 [ ] Yes [ ]
  Which limb(s)?
  - Left arm [ ]
  - Right arm [ ]
  - Left leg [ ]
  - Right leg [ ]
  Specify: [ ]

A4. Is the participant wearing a prosthesis (artificial limb)?
- No [ ] Go to A5 [ ] Yes [ ]
  Which limb(s)?
  - Left arm [ ]
  - Right arm [ ]
  - Left leg [ ]
  - Right leg [ ]
  Specify: [ ]

A5. Does the participant have paralysis of an extremity or side of the body?
- No [ ] Go to A6 [ ] Yes [ ]
  Which side of the body?
  - Left [ ]
  - Right [ ]
  Specify: [ ]

A6. Was the measured walk test attempted?
- Refused [ ]
  Timed Walking and Hand Grip Assessments [ ]

**Please continue.**
MEASURED WALK ATTEMPT #1:

PROMPT: Read to Participant:
In this test, I would like you to walk at your usual pace starting at this line and continue walking past the line at the end of the hall until I tell you to stop. Do you think you could do that? Good. Can you see the tape? Good. Let me demonstrate what I want you to do. (DEMONSTRATE.)
To do this test, place your feet with your toes behind, but touching, the start line where we start. I will time you. When I say “Ready, go!” walk at your usual pace and continue walking past the line at the end of the hall until I tell you to stop.
WHEN THE PARTICIPANT IS PROPERLY AT THE LINE, SAY “Ready, go!” AND BEGIN TIMING.

A7. Did the participant complete the measured walk?
No ..................................... ☐ Go to A7.a
Yes .................................... ☐ Go to A7.b
Attempted, but unable physically ........................................... ☐ Go to A7.b

Explain:

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

a. If NO, was it due to:
Cognitive impairment ............. ☐ Go to A9.a
Other reason ......................... ☐ Go to A9.b

Specify:

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

b. If YES, did the participant use an assistive device on the walk?

DVW1PB_51

A8. Time in seconds to walk course: seconds

SCNDBP_51

MEASURED WALK ATTEMPT #2:

PROMPT: Read to Participant:
Now, I’d like you to try this test a second time. When I say “Ready, go!” walk at your usual pace and continue walking past the line at the end of the hall until I tell you to stop.
WHEN THE PARTICIPANT IS PROPERLY AT THE LINE, SAY “Ready, go!” AND BEGIN TIMING.

A9. Did the participant complete the measured walk?
No ..................................... ☐ Go to A9.a
Yes .................................... ☐ Go to A9.b
Attempted, but unable physically ........................................... ☐ Go to A9.b

Explain:

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

a. If NO, was it due to:
Cognitive impairment ............. ☐ Go to Section B
Other reason ......................... ☐ Go to Section B

Specify:

SPW2PB_51

b. If YES, did the participant use an assistive device on walk?

DVW2PB_51

A10. Time in seconds to walk course: seconds

TISCPB_51

Section B: Grip Strength

PROMPT: Read to Participant:
In this exercise, I am going to use this instrument to measure the strength in your dominant hand.

B1. Have you had any recent pain in your wrist or any acute flare-up of your hand or wrist from conditions like arthritis, tendonitis, or carpal tunnel syndrome?

WRSTPB_51

a. Left wrist?
No ☐ Yes WRSTL_51
b. Right wrist?
No ☐ Yes WRSTR_51
B2. Have you had any surgery on your hands or arms during the last 13 weeks?
  ☐ No  ☑ Yes  SURGPB_51
  a. Left arm?
    ☐ No  ☑ Yes  LSURG_51
  b. Right arm?
    ☐ No  ☑ Yes  RSURG_51

B3. Which hand is your dominant hand?
  Left ...........................................  ☐  Ghndpb_51
  Right ...........................................  ☑

B4. Do you think you could safely squeeze this instrument as hard as you can with your dominant hand?
  ☐ No  ☑ Yes  Squezb_51
  If NO, do not do Grip Strength test and go to B5.

If the participant's dominant hand is affected by one or more of the conditions listed on page 6 of the guidelines, DO NOT TEST and complete only B5.

Summary of conditions:
  acute flare up wrist/hand (e.g., arthritis, tendonitis, carpal tunnel)
  surgery for fusion, arthroplasty, tendon repair, or synovectomy of upper extremity in past 13 weeks
  current symptoms from heart problems that may be exacerbated by hand grip test

B5. Did participant attempt to perform the grip strength assessment?
  ☐ No  ☑ Yes  Go to Prompt
  a. If NO, was it due to:  Atrgn_51
    Physical impairment ..........  ☐  Stop testing
    Cognitive impairment ..........  ☑
    Other reason ..................  ☐

  Specify:  ____SrgrpB_51

  ☑ No  ☐ Go to Prompt

PROMPT: Read to Participant:
I’d like you to take your dominant arm, bend your elbow at a 90 degree angle, press your arm against your side, and grab the two pieces of metal together like this. (Examiner should demonstrate at this point.) When I say “squeeze,” squeeze as hard as you can until I say “stop.” The two pieces of metal will not move but I will be able to read the force of your grip on the dial. I will ask you to do this three times. If you feel any pain or discomfort, tell me and we will stop. (Demonstrate to participant.)

Now you should bend your elbow at a 90 degree angle, press your arm against your side, and grip the two pieces of metal with your dominant hand. Your wrist should be straight. Ready? Go! (Be sure to coach: “Squeeze, Squeeze, Squeeze!” Also be sure to tell the participant to “Stop!” when the arrow starts going down.) Do dominant hand only.

B6. Was grip strength test done?
  ☐ No  ☑ Yes  Gripp_51
  Attempted, but unable physically ...................  ☐  Stop testing

  Explain:
  __________________________________________________________________________
  __________________________________________________________________________
  __________________________________________________________________________

  a. If NO, was it due to:  GRIPN_51
    Cognitive impairment ..........  ☑  Stop testing
    Other reason ....................  ☐

  Specify:  ____SgRtpB_51

  ☑ Yes  _______G07_51
  Stop testing
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