

Norton Scale

PATIENT INFORMATION

Name:

Age:

Medical History:

Admission Date:

NORTON SCALE

To evaluate the Norton Rating for a particular patient, look at the tables below and add the values beside each parameter that applies to the patient. The total sum is the Norton Rating (NR) for that patient and may vary from 20 (minimum risk) to 5 (maximum risk).

(Indicatively, a Norton Rating below 9 means Very High Risk, 10 to 13 means High Risk, 14 to 17 medium risk, and above 18 means low risk)

Category	Scoring			
	4	3	2	1
Physical Condition	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Bad
Mental Condition	Alert	Apathetic	Confused	Stuporous
Activity	Ambulant	Walks with help	Chairbound	Bedfast
Mobility	Full	Slightly Impaired	Very Limited	Immobile
Incontinence	None	Occasional	Usually Urinary	Urinary and Fecal

Total Score:

NORTON SCALE SCORING

Generally, the risk factor is coded this way:

Scoring	Risk
Greater than 18	Low Risk
Between 18 and 14	Medium Risk
Between 14 and 10	High Risk
Lesser than 10	Very High Risk

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