

Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Glossary Item
Synonymous names:	HoNOS65+
METEOR identifier:	681544
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 23/12/2020
Definition:	An assessment of psychiatric symptoms and psychosocial functioning in an older patient.
Context:	Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ (HoNOS 65+) is a clinical assessment tool used by mental health professionals to evaluate psychiatric symptoms and psychosocial functioning in an older patient.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: HoNOS 65+ is designed to be used by clinicians before and after interventions, so that changes attributable to interventions can be measured.

Comments: Twelve scales are used to rate older mental health service users. The scales include:

- Behavioural disturbance
- Non-accidental self injury
- Problem drinking or drug use
- Cognitive problems
- Problems related to physical illness or disability
- Problems associated with hallucinations and delusions
- Problems associated with depressive symptoms
- Other mental and behavioural problems
- Problems with social or supportive relationships
- Problems with activities of daily living
- Overall problems with living conditions
- Problems with work and leisure activities and the quality of the day time environment

Together, the scales rate various aspects of mental and social health, each on a scale of 0 to 4.

0 - No problems within the period stated

1 - Minor problem requiring no action

2 - Mild problem but definitely present

3 - Moderately severe problem

4 - Severe to very severe problem

A HoNOS 65+ total score (the sum of each individual scale item) will be a value between 0 and 48.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Independent Hospital Pricing Authority
Origin:	Health of the Nation Outcome Scales (HoNOS) © Royal College of Psychiatrists 1996.
Reference documents:	The Royal College of Psychiatrists 1996. HoNOS 65+ (Older Adults). The Royal College of Psychiatrists, London.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 31/10/2012
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 20/12/2016

Has been superseded by [Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+](#)
[Health](#), Standard 23/12/2020
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 29/03/2023

Metadata items which use this glossary item:

[Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2018-19](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 17/10/2018

[Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2019-20](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 18/12/2019

[Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2020-21](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2021

[Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2021-22](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 20/10/2021

[Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2022-23](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 20/12/2022

[Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 23/12/2020
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 28/03/2023