

PATIENT INFORMATION

Patient's Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____
 Plan ID or Medicare Number: _____ Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY): _____
 Street Address: _____
 P.O. Box: _____ City: _____ Postal Code: _____

MMSE & FAST - COMPLETE BOTH

MMSE Score: _____ Date: _____ FAST Score: _____ Date: _____

FAST Stage	Functional Impairment due to cognitive deficit (NOT PHYSICAL DEFICIT)
4 Mild	IADLs: needs assistance (Instrumental Activities of Daily Living include complex tasks such as managing money and medications, shopping, cooking, driving, housekeeping, using telephone)
5 Moderate	Re-wearing clothes; requires assistance in such basic tasks of daily life as choosing proper clothing. Assistance is required for independent community living.
6 Severe	ADLs: needs hands-on assistance, especially with dressing and bathing, due to cognitive impairment; eventually experiences urinary and fecal incontinence (Activities of Daily Living include dressing, washing, toileting, feeding, mobility)
7 Very Severe (End Stage)	Non-verbal, non-ambulatory

Only patients with a FAST score of 4 or 5 are eligible for coverage for cholinesterase inhibitors.
 Adapted from: Reisberg, B. Functional Assessment Staging. Psychopharmacology Bulletin. 1988.

EVIDENCE OF BENEFIT

Is the patient benefitting from this drug? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<i>Only for initial re-assessment. Not required for subsequent annual re-assessments.</i> Please describe: <i>Benefit can be based on caregiver report or cognitive testing; consider cognitive, functional, behavioural, social and leisure domains.</i>
When is it time to consider discontinuing the cholinesterase inhibitor?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If MMSE <10 OR FAST ≥6 (not eligible for coverage) OR • there is no initial improvement after 3-6 months of drug therapy OR • the patient has a rapid decline in cognitive or functional symptoms OR • rapid decline in MMSE (> 3 points in 6 months) or FAST

CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITOR

Cholinesterase inhibitor being continued and current dosage:

Donepezil (Aricept® and generic products) Dosage: _____
 Galantamine (Reminyl ER® and generic products) Dosage: _____
 Rivastigmine (Exelon® and generic products) Dosage: _____

<p>REQUESTOR INFORMATION</p> <p>Requestor Name: _____ Requestor Address: _____ _____ Fax Number: _____ License Number (e.g. CPSNB, NANB, NBCP, etc.): _____ Requestor Signature: _____ Date (DD/MM/YYYY): _____</p>	<p>PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:</p> <p>Special Authorization Unit, New Brunswick Drug Plans P.O. Box 690 644 Main Street Moncton, NB E1C 8M7</p> <p>Inquiry Line: 1-800-332-3691 Local Fax: 506-867-4872 Toll Free Fax: 1-888-455-8322</p>
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