

Behaviour screen to monitor physical and behavioral patterns that can be associated with cognitive dysfunction/Dementia

1. Locomotory/ambulatory assessment (tick **only** 1)

- A. No alterations or debilities noted
- B. Modest slowness associated with range from youth to adult
- C. Moderate slowness associated with geriatric aging
- D. Moderate slowness associated with geriatric aging plus alteration or debility in gait
- E. Moderate slowness associated with geriatric aging plus some loss of function (e.g cannot climb stairs)
- F. Severe moderate slowness associated with extreme loss of function, particularly on slick surfaces (may need to be carried)
- G. Severe slowness, extreme loss of function, and decreased willingness or interest in locomoting (spends most of time in bed)
- H. Paralysed or refused to move

2. Appetite assessment (may tick **more** than 1)

- A. No alterations in appetite
- B. Change in ability to physically handle food
- C. Change in ability to retain food (vomits or regurgitates)
- D. Change in ability to find food
- E. Change in interest in food (may be olfactory, having to do with the ability to smell)
- F. Change in rate of eating
- G. Change in completion of eating
- H. Change in timing of eating
- I. Change in preferred textures.

3. Assessment of elimination function (tick **only** 1 in **each** category)

A. Changes in frequencies and “accidents”

- 1. No change in frequency and no “accidents”
- 2. Increased frequency, no “accidents”
- 3. Decreased frequency, no “accidents”
- 4. Increased frequency with “accidents”
- 5. Decreased frequency with “accidents”
- 6. No change in frequency, but “accidents”

B. Bladder Control

- 1. Leaks urine when asleep, only
- 2. Leaks urine when awake, only
- 3. Leaks urine when awake or asleep, only
- 4. Full- stream, uncontrolled urination when asleep, only
- 5. Full- stream, uncontrolled urination when awake, only
- 6. Full- stream, uncontrolled urination when awake or asleep,
- 7. No leakage or uncontrolled urination, all urination controlled, but inappropriate or undesired location
- 8. No change in urination control or behaviour

C. Bowel control (circle appropriate answer, if this occurs, please)

- 1. Defecates when asleep
Formed stool Diarrhoea Mixed
- 2. Defecates without apparent awareness
Formed stool Diarrhoea Mixed
- 3. Defecates when awake and aware of action, but inappropriate or undesirable locations
Formed stool Diarrhoea Mixed
- 4. No changes in bowel control

4. Visual acuity- how well does the client think the dog/cat sees? (Tick **only** 1)

- A. No Change in visual acuity detected by behaviour- appears to see as well as ever
- B. Some change in acuity **not** dependent on ambient light conditions
- C. Some change in acuity dependent on ambient light conditions
- D. Extreme change in acuity **not** dependent on ambient light conditions
- E. Extreme change in acuity dependent on ambient light conditions
- F. Blind

5. Auditory acuity- how well does the client think the dog/cat hears (Tick **only** 1)

- A. No apparent change in auditory acuity
- B. Some decrement in hearing- not responding to sounds to which the dog/cat used to respond.
- C. Extreme decrement in hearing- have to make sure dog/cat is paying attention or repeat signals or go get the dog/cat when called
- D. Deaf- no response to sounds of any kind

6. Play interactions- if the dog/cat plays with **Toys** (other pets are addressed later), which situation best describes that play? (Tick **only** 1)

- A. No change in play with toys
- B. Slightly decreased interest in toys, only
- C. Slightly decreased ability to play with toys, only
- D. Slightly decreased interest and ability to play with toys
- E. Extreme decreased interest in toys, only
- F. Extreme decreased ability to play with toys, only
- G. Extreme decreased interest and ability to play with toys

7. Interactions with humans- which situation best describes that interaction? (Tick **only** 1)

- A. No change in interaction with people
- B. Recognises people but slightly decreased frequency of interaction
- C. Recognises people but greatly decreased frequency of interaction
- D. Withdrawal but recognises people
- E. Does not recognise people

8. Interactions with other pets- which situation best describes that interaction? (Tick **only** 1)

- A. No change in interaction with other pets
- B. Recognises other pets but slightly decreased frequency of interaction
- C. Recognises other pets but greatly decreased frequency of interaction
- D. Withdrawal but recognises other pets
- E. Does not recognise other pets
- F. No other pets or animal companions in house or social environment

9. Changes in sleep/ wake cycle (Tick **only** 1)

- A. No change in sleep patterns
- B. Sleeps more in day, only
- C. Some change- awakens at night and sleeps more in day
- D. Much change-profoundly erratic nocturnal pattern and irregular daytime pattern
- E. Sleeps virtually all day, awake occasionally at night
- F. Sleeps almost around the clock

10. Is there anything else you think we should know?