

House Brackmann Scale

Patient information

Name:

ID number:

Date of assessment:

Evaluator:

Assessment procedure

Forehead (raising eyebrows)

I. Normal (normal function)

II. Mild dysfunction (slight weakness to good function)

III. Moderate dysfunction (noticeable slight to moderate movement)

IV. Moderately severe dysfunction (obvious weakness or disfiguring asymmetry)

V. Severe dysfunction (barely perceptible motion)

VI. Total paralysis (no movement)

Eyes (closing eyes)

I. Normal (normal function)

II. Mild dysfunction (complete closure with minimal effort)

III. Moderate dysfunction (obvious weakness, eye closure with effort)

IV. Moderately severe dysfunction (incomplete eye closure)

V. Severe dysfunction (barely perceptible eyelid movement)

VI. Total paralysis (no movement)

Mouth (Smiling/Puckering lips)

I. Normal (normal function)

II. Mild dysfunction (slight asymmetry or weakness of mouth movement)

III. Moderate dysfunction (obvious but no disfiguring weakness)

IV. Moderately severe dysfunction (asymmetry at rest)

V. Severe dysfunction (barely perceptible mouth movement)

VI. Total paralysis (no movement)

Overall facial function grade

Grade I - normal

Grade II - mild dysfunction

Grade III - moderate dysfunction

Grade IV - moderately severe dysfunction

Grade V - severe dysfunction

Grade VI - total paralysis

Evaluator's notes**Recommendations and follow-up**

Signature of evaluator:

Reference

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