

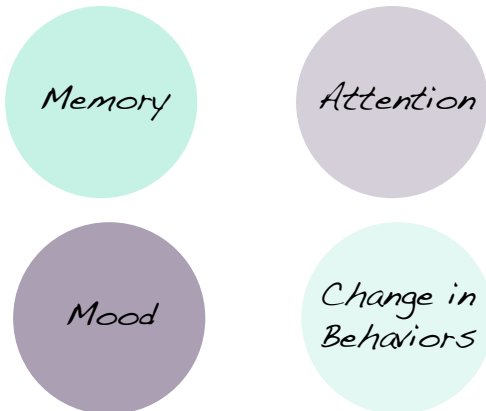


Cognitive Screening for Dementia

OVERVIEW

“Dementia is a clinical syndrome characterized by the impairment of multiple cognitive domains that is severe enough to interfere with one’s usual social and occupational functioning”. The incidence of dementia in the United States is projected to skyrocket from about 5 million individuals affected in 2008 to almost 14 million by 2030, all of whom will present with disabling behavioral symptoms, from memory disturbances to agitation.

There are different types of dementia such as Alzheimer’s Dementia, Dementia with Lewy Bodies, Frontotemporal Dementia and Vascular Dementia. One of the most prominent and early clinical feature of Alzheimer’s Disease is characterized by a deficit in the ability to learn, store, and retrieve information that is newly acquired through personal experience. This learning and memory deficit involves both verbal and nonverbal (i.e., visual) memory and is characterized by “rapid forgetting” of recently acquired information. Other dementia present with different deficits.



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WHY GETTING SCREENED?

Getting tested will help you make sense of the symptoms you or your relative might experience help with diagnosis and guide treatment.

WHAT ARE WE TESTING?

- **Episodic Memory** corresponds to the ability to learn, store, and retrieve information that is newly acquired through personal experience.
- **Semantic Memory** refers to knowledge that is culturally shared, usually overlearned, and not temporally specific.
- **Executive Functions and Attention** include Initiation of a task, Planning, Sequencing of information, Shifting tasks, Task monitoring and Emotional control.
- **Visuo-spatial abilities** refer to a person's capacity to identify visual and spatial relationships among objects.
- **Behavioral Symptoms** (e.g., Agitation) refer to physical and verbal behaviors that are excessive, inappropriate, repetitive, nonspecific, and observable.

DETAILS

The cognitive screening is led by a ABPP Certified Clinical Psychologist and Neuropsychologist. The process is divided in two visits. Each visit lasts two hours. The testing facility is located at 3319 State Road 7 STE 301 Wellington, FL 33449. A report will be issued within 10 days following your second meeting.

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