WAC 388-106-0090  How does the CARE tool measure cognitive performance?  (1) The CARE tool uses a tool called the cognitive performance scale (CPS) to evaluate your cognitive impairment. The CPS results in a score that ranges from zero (intact) to six (very severe impairment). Your CPS score is based on:
   (a) Whether you are comatose.
   (b) Your ability to make decisions, as defined in WAC 388-106-0010 "Decision making."
   (c) Your ability to make yourself understood, as defined in WAC 388-106-0010 "Ability to make self understood."
   (d) Whether you have short-term memory problem (e.g. can you remember recent events?) or whether you have delayed recall; and
   (e) Whether you score as total dependence for self performance in eating, as defined in WAC 388-106-0010 "Self performance of ADLs."

(2) You will receive a CPS score of:
   (a) Zero when you do not have problems with decision-making ability, making yourself understood, or recent memory.
   (b) One when you meet one of the following:
      (i) Your decision-making ability is scored as modified independence or moderately impaired;
      (ii) Your ability to make yourself understood is usually, sometimes, or rarely/never understood; or
      (iii) You have a recent memory problem.
   (c) Two when you meet two of the following:
      (i) Your decision-making ability is scored as modified independence or moderately impaired;
      (ii) Your ability to make yourself understood is usually, sometimes, or rarely/never understood; and/or
      (iii) You have a short-term memory problem or delayed recall.
   (d) Three when you meet at least two of the criteria listed in subsection (2)(b) of this section and one of the following applies:
      (i) Your decision making is moderately impaired; or
      (ii) Your ability to make yourself understood is sometimes or rarely/never understood.
   (e) Four when both of the following criteria applies:
      (i) Your decision making is moderately impaired; and
      (ii) Your ability to make yourself understood is sometimes or rarely/never understood.
   (f) Five when your ability to make decisions is scored as severely impaired.
   (g) Six when one of the following applies:
      (i) Your ability to make decisions is severely impaired and you require total dependence in eating; or
      (ii) You are comatose.

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