

| Assessment Rating | Guide to Clinical Response | Palliative Care Phase | |
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| Absent/Best ESAS-PCOC = 0 PCPSS = 0 | Continue current care Consider discharge | Stable | Terminal If likely to die in a matter of days |
| Mild ESAS-PCOC = 1-3 PCPSS = 1 | Anticipate & monitor ----- Modify care plan | Stable ----- Deteriorating | |
| Moderate ESAS-PCOC = 4-7 PCPSS = 2 | Review & intervene Refer as required | Deteriorating | |
| Severe ESAS-PCOC = 8-10 PCPSS = 3 | Urgent action required | Unstable | |

Use in combination with definitions and clinical judgement

Refer to PCOCI Clinical Manual March 2026

| Is delirium present? | Guide to clinical response |
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| Yes | Consider patient's goals of care and plan care accordingly |
| No | Identify any risk of developing delirium |
| Unsure | Consider using validated tool to determine |

| RUG-ADL | Score | Assessment Criteria | Guide to Clinical Response |
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| Bed Mobility Toileting Transfers | 1 | Independent of supervision only | Total Score of 4-10: Monitor Total Score of 10 or more consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment requirements • Case/family conference • Staff requirements • Carer burden • Referral |
| | 3 | Limited physical assistance | |
| | 4 | Other than two persons physical assist (1 person & aid) | |
| | 5 | Two or more persons physical assist | |
| Eating | 1 | Independent or supervision only | |
| | 2 | Limited assistance | |
| | 3 | Extensive assistance/total dependence/tube fed | |

| AKPS Score | Assessment Criteria | Guide to Clinical Response |
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| 100 | Normal; no complaints; no evidence of disease | Monitor |
| 90 | Able to carry on normal activity; minor signs or symptoms of disease | |
| 80 | Normal activity with effort; some signs or symptoms of disease | |
| 70 | Cares for self; unable to carry on normal activity or to do active work | |
| 60 | Able to care for most needs; but requires occasional assistance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Referral • Case/family conference |
| 50 | Considerable assistance & frequent medical care required | As above & consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment & staffing • Falls & pressure injuries • Carer burden |
| 40 | In bed more than 50% of the time | |
| 30 | Almost completely bedfast | |
| 20 | Totally bedfast and requiring extensive care | |
| 10 | Comatose or barely rousable | End of life care |