

FLACKER MORTALITY INDEX

Use the Flacker Mortality Score and the Resident Assessment Instrument to complete the chart below.

RESIDENT CHARACTERISTIC	SCORING CHART	SCORE
Functional Ability Score*	If summary functional ability score is greater than 4, score 2.50	_____
Weight Loss	If lost five or more pounds in the last 30 days, or 10 or more pounds in the last 180 days, score 2.26	_____
Shortness of Breath	If patient has shortness of breath, score 2.08	_____
Swallowing Problems	If patient has swallowing problems, score 1.81	_____
Gender	If male, score 1.76	_____
Body Mass Index	If BMI is less than 22 kg/m, score 1.75	_____
Congestive Heart Failure	If patient has CHF, score 1.57	_____
Age	If greater than 88 years old, score 1.48	_____
TOTAL SCORE		_____

*To derive the functional ability score, use MDS data for the following seven items: bed mobility, transferring, eating, toileting, hygiene, locomotion on unit and dressing. Each item is scored on a scale of 0 (no impairment) to 4 (high impairment), yielding a summary scale score ranging from 0 to 28.

IF TOTAL SCORE IS:	PROBABILITY OF DYING WITHIN ONE YEAR IS APPROXIMATELY:
0-2	7 PERCENT
3-6	19 PERCENT
7-10	50 PERCENT
11+	86 PERCENT