Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Glossary Item |
| Synonymous names: | HoNOS65+ |
| METEOR identifier: | 730842 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 23/12/2020 |
| Definition: | An assessment of psychiatric symptoms and psychosocial functioning in an older patient. |
| Context: | Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ (HoNOS 65+) is a clinical assessment tool used by mental health professionals to evaluate psychiatric symptoms and psychosocial functioning in an older patient. |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | HoNOS 65+ is designed to be used by clinicians before and after interventions, so that changes attributable to interventions can be measured. |
| Comments: | Twelve scales are used to rate older mental health service users. The scales include:   * Behavioural disturbance * Non-accidental self injury * Problem drinking or drug use * Cognitive problems * Problems related to physical illness or disability * Problems associated with hallucinations and delusions * Problems associated with depressive symptoms * Other mental and behavioural problems * Problems with social or supportive relationships * Problems with activities of daily living * Overall problems with living conditions * Problems with work and leisure activities and the quality of the day time environment   Together, the scales rate various aspects of mental and social health, each on a scale of 0 to 4.  0 - No problems within the period stated  1 - Minor problem requiring no action  2 - Mild problem but definitely present  3 - Moderately severe problem  4 - Severe to very severe problem  A HoNOS 65+ total score (the sum of each individual scale item) will be a value between 0 and 48. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Origin: | Health of the Nation Outcome Scales (HoNOS) © Royal College of Psychiatrists 1996. |
| Reference documents: | The Royal College of Psychiatrists 2019. HoNOS 65+ (Older Adults). The Royal College of Psychiatrists, London. Viewed 14 July 2020, <https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/events/in-house-training/health-of-nation-outcome-scales> |
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