



Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS)

Participant Name:

Participant Date of Birth:

Supports Coordinator:

Completion Date:

Repetition of Three Words:

I am going to say three words for you to remember. Please repeat the words after I have said all three. The words are: **SOCK**, **BLUE**, and **BED**. What are the three words?

Number of words repeated after first attempt:

None (0pts)

One (1pt)

Two (2pts)

Three (3pts)

After the participant's first attempt, repeat the words using cues ("sock, something to wear; blue, a color; bed, a piece of furniture'). You may repeat the words up to two more times.

Temporal Orientation: *(Orientation to Month, Year, and Day)*

Ask the participant: Please tell me what year it is right now?

Able to report correct year

Missed by > 5 years, or no answer (0pts)

Missed by 2-5 years (1pt)

Missed by 1 year (2 pts)

Correct (3pts)

Ask the participant: What month are we in right now?

Able to report correct month

Missed by > 1 month, or no answer (0pts)

Missed by 6 days to one month (1pt)

Accurate within 5 days (2pts)

Ask resident: What day of the week is today?

Able to report correct day of the week

Incorrect, or no answer (0pts)

Correct (1pt)

Recall:

Ask the participant: "Let's go back to the earlier question. What were the three words that I asked you to repeat?"

If unable to remember a word, give cue ("something to wear; " "a color; " "a piece of furniture"? for that word.

Able to recall "SOCK":

- No – could not recall (0pts)
- Yes – after cueing "something to wear" (1pt)
- Yes – no cue required (2pts)

Able to recall "BLUE":

- No – could not recall (0pts)
- Yes – after cueing "a color" (1pt)
- Yes – no cue required (2pts)

Able to recall "BED":

- No – could not recall (0pts)
- Yes – after curing "a piece of furniture" (1pt)
- Yes – no cue required (2pts)

Summary Score:

Add scores for each question and fill in total score (00-15) _____

Enter 99 if the participant was unable to complete the interview.