

Revised Algate Wandering Scale (RAWS) – Community Version

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	1 Never/ unable	2 Seldom	3 Sometimes	4 Usually	5 Always
A. Persistent Walking (PW)					
He/she does a lot of spontaneous walking.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she goes to many different places while walking.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she gets up and walks during the night.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks around restlessly.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks around between awakening and breakfast.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks about aimlessly.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she travels many different routes while walking.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks around between lunch and dinner.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she often changes direction or course while walking.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks around between breakfast and lunch.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks for an odd or inappropriate reason.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks around between dinner and bedtime.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks without an apparent destination.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks during inappropriate times.	1	2	3	4	5
SUBSCALE SCORE					
B. Repetitive Walking (RW)					
He/she walks intensely between two places.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she paces up and down.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks back and forth between two places in a repetitive way.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks in one continuous direction.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she goes repeatedly to the same location(s) while walking.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she repeatedly travels the same route while walking.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she walks in a continuous route, as if on a track	1	2	3	4	5
SUBSCALE SCORE					
C. Eloping Behaviour (EB)					
He/she runs off.	1	2	3	4	5
While walking alone, he/she walks beyond intended destination.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she attempts to go outside.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she stands at the outdoor wanting to go out.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she attempts to find or go to familiar locations, even unrealistic ones.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she attempts to leave his/her own area	1	2	3	4	5
He/she gets lost outside the house.	1	2	3	4	5

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He/she enters private or unauthorized areas	1	2	3	4	5
SUBSCALE SCORE					
D. Spatial Disorientation (SD)					
He/she cannot locate own room without help.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she cannot locate bathroom without help.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she gets lost inside the house.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she cannot locate dining room without help.	1	2	3	4	5
SUBSCALE SCORE					
E. Negative Outcome (NO)					
While walking alone, he/she has fallen down.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she has been found with some major injury.	1	2	3	4	5
He/she has been found with some minor injury.	1	2	3	4	5
While walking alone, he/she bumps into obstacles or other people.	1	2	3	4	5
SUBSCALE SCORE					
F. Mealtime Impulsivity (MI)					
He/she walks off during meals.	1	2	3	4	5
During meals, he/she tries to leave the table or walks away.	1	2	3	4	5
SUBSCALE SCORE					

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Scoring Instructions

1. Calculate the Mean Subscale scores
2. From the mean subscale scores that you have calculate, rank each subscale from 1(highest priority) - 6 (lowest priority)
3. For the top three priority areas, identify the potential risks associated with wandering for that person.

	Subscale score	Mean Subscale score = subscale score/number of items	Priority
Total RAWS-CV score			
Persistent Walking subscale (14 items)			
Repetitive Walking subscale (7 items)			
Eloping Behaviour subscale (8 items)			
Spatial Disorientation subscale (4 items)			
Negative Outcomes subscale (4 items)			
Mealtime Impulsivity subscale (2 items)			

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Priority area	Risk Associated with Wandering	Interventions	Carer Actions	Outcome measures/level of effectiveness
Priority 1.				
Priority 2.				
Priority 3.				

