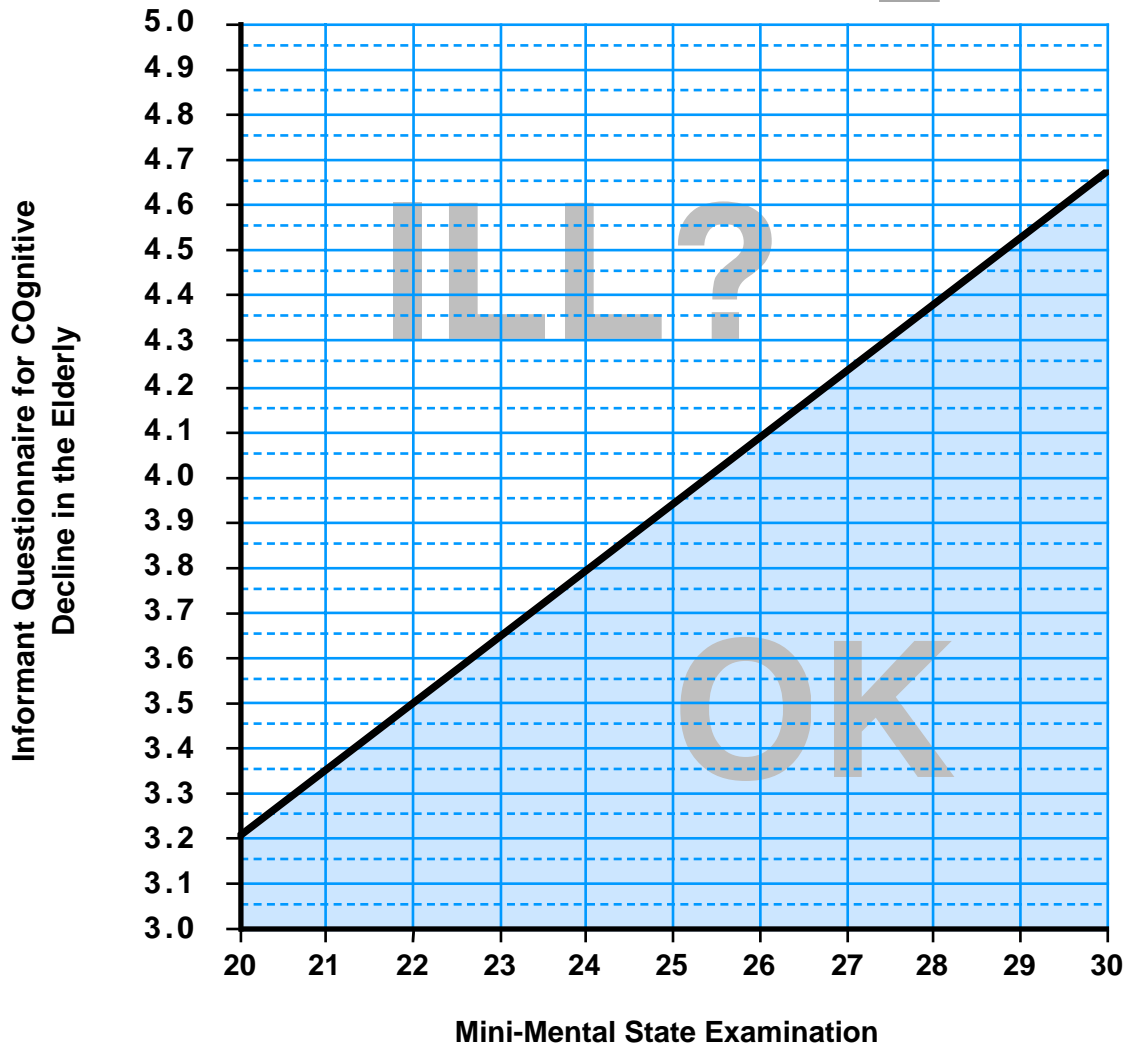


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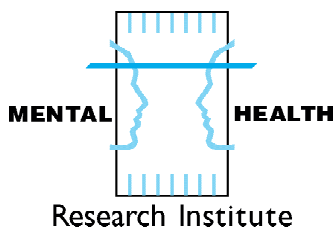
INSTRUCTIONS

- Administer the Mini-Mental State Examination (MMSE; Folstein et al., 1975) and the Informant Questionnaire for Cognitive Decline in the Elderly (IQCODE; Jorm, 1994) according to the instructions given by the test authors.
- Calculate test scores and plot them on the above template.
- Patients whose score profile falls above the diagonal line (the unshaded portion of the graph) are likely to meet criteria for DSM-IV Dementia. Patients who fall below the line (the shaded part of the graph) are unlikely to meet the criteria for this disorder.
- This template is suggested for screening purposes only. Diagnosis of dementia requires appropriate investigation by suitably qualified personnel.

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