

EPWORTH SLEEPINESS SCALE

Patient Name: _____ Date: _____

How likely are you to doze off or fall asleep in the following situations, in contrast to feeling just tired? This refers to your usual way of life in recent times. Even if you have not done some of these things recently, try to work out how they would have affected you. Use the following scale to choose the most appropriate number for each situation .		
0 = would never doze 1 = slight chance of dozing 2 = moderate chance of dozing 3 = high chance of dozing	ing	
SITUATION	CHAN	CE OF DOZING
Sitting and reading		
Watching TV		
Sitting inactive in a public place (i.e. theater or meeting)		
As a passenger in a car for an hour without a break		
Lying down to rest in the afternoon when circumstances permit		
Sitting and talking to someone		
Sitting quietly after a lunch without alcohol		
In a car, while stopped for a few minutes in traffic		
	Total:	

Reference: Johns, M.W. <u>A new method for measuring daytime sleepiness: the Epworth Sleepiness Scale,</u> SLEEP. 1991; 14:450-5

10-15: You may be excessively sleepy depending on the situation. You may want to consider

16-24: You are excessively sleepy and should consider seeking medical attention.

Interpretation:

0-7: It is likely you are abnormally sleepy.

seeking medical attention.

8-9: You have an average amount of daytime sleepiness.