

**ICU Communication Screening Protocol\***

Is patient alert?	Y or N	Partial
Can patient follow commands? -Raise your arm and make a fist. _____ -Blink your eyes twice. _____	Y or N	Partial
Does patient have a reliable yes and no signal? -How does patient signal yes? _____ -How does patient signal no? _____	Y or N	Partial
Can the patient point? -Point to your feet. -Point to your (name of family member) in person or in a photo.	Y or N	Partial
Can the patient write?(assess literacy & motor ability) -Write your name. -Write your favorite color.	Y or N	Partial
Are patient's mouth movements clear when mouthing speech? -Count from 1 to 10. -Tell me what your first job was (in a sentence).	Y or N	Partial

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