## GLASGOW COMA SCALE (2020)

Hamilton Health

Stimulate

## **UPDATED TERMINOLOGY**



For factors interfering with communication, ability to respond and other injuries

Check



Eye opening, content of speech and movements of right and left



Sound: spoken or shouted request Physical: Pressure on fingertip, trapezius, or supraorbital notch



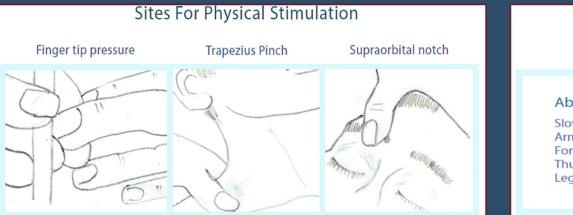
Assign according to highest response observed

Rate

	GCS TERMS OF 1974	GCS TERMS OF 2020	SCORE
MOTOR RESPONSE	Obeys commands	Obeys commands	6
	Localizing	Localizing	5
	Withdraws	Normal flexion	4
	Flexion	Abnormal flexion	3
	Extension	Extension	2
	None	None	1
		Non-testable (NT)	1 with reason

VERBAL RESPONSE	GCS TERMS OF 1974	GCS TERMS OF 2020	SCORE
	Orientation	Oriented	5
	Confused	Confused	4
	Inappropriate	Words	3
	Incomprehensible	Sounds	2
	None	None	1
		Non-testable (NT)	1 with reason

	GCS TERMS OF 1974	GCS TERMS OF 2020	SCORE
EYE OPENING	Spontaneous	Spontaneous	4
	To speech	To sound	3
	To pain	To pressure	2
	None	None	1
		Non-testable (NT)	1 with reason



## Features of Flexion Responses

Modified with permission from Van Der Naalt 2004 Ned Tijdschr Geneeskd

## Abnormal Flexion

Slow Sterotyped Arm across chest Forearm rotates Thumb clenched Leg extends



Normal flexion Rapid Variable Arm away from body

The website for The Glasgow Coma Scale can be found at <u>https://www.glasgowcomascale.org</u>

