**Wander Risk Scale (WRS)**

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| Date of Assessment：🡪 |  |
| **MENTAL STATUS**  1 can follow instructions  3 cannot follow instructions |  |
| **MOBILITY**   1. can move without assistance while in wheelchair   3 ambulatory |  |
| **SPEECH PATTERNS**  0 can communicate  3 cannot communicate |  |
| **HISTORY OF WANDERING**  0 no history of wandering  2 with history of wandering (past hospitalization or history from patient/family) |  |
| 0 does not wander  1 wanders with intentional destination/knows how to return to unit  2 wanders within the hospital without leaving hospital grounds  5 wanders aimlessly within hospital or off hospital grounds |  |
| 0 no episode of wandering  1 no episode of wandering for the past 6 months  2 no episode of wandering of the past 3 months  3 with episode for the past month |  |
| **DIAGNOSIS OF DEMENTIA**  0 No diagnosis of dementia  5 Medically diagnosed with dementia |  |
| TOTAL SCORE 🡪 |  |

**Scores of:** 0 – 8 Low Risk

9 – 10 At Risk to Wander

11 or above High Risk to Wander

**Source:**

Healthcare Association of New York. (2005). Elopement Resource Manual.