

BIVSS CHECKLIST (Brain Injury Vision Symptom Survey)

Patient Name: _____ Today's date: _____

My brain injury was: _____ years ago

My age is: _____ years

today's date: _____

I have had a medical diagnosis of brain injury (check box if true) Cause of injury: _____

I sustained a brain injury without medical diagnosis (check box if true) _____

I have NOT ever sustained a brain injury (check box if true)

Please check the most appropriate box, or circle the item number that best matches your observations. All information will be held in confidence. Thank you for your help!

SYMPTOM CHECKLIST

Circle a number below:

| | Never | Seldom | Occasionally | Frequently | Always |
|--|-------|--------|--------------|------------|--------|
| Please rate each behavior. | | | | | |
| How often does each behavior occur? (circle a number) | | | | | |
| <i>EYESIGHT CLARITY</i> | | | | | |
| Distance vision blurred and not clear -- even with lenses | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Near vision blurred and not clear -- even with lenses | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Clarity of vision changes or fluctuates during the day | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Poor night vision / can't see well to drive at night | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>VISUAL COMFORT</i> | | | | | |
| Eye discomfort / sore eyes / eyestrain | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Headaches or dizziness after using eyes | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Eye fatigue / very tired after using eyes all day | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Feel "pulling" around the eyes | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>DOUBLING</i> | | | | | |
| Double vision -- especially when tired | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Have to close or cover one eye to see clearly | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Print moves in and out of focus when reading | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>LIGHT SENSITIVITY</i> | | | | | |
| Normal indoor lighting is uncomfortable - too much glare | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Outdoor light too bright - have to use sunglasses | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Indoors fluorescent lighting is bothersome or annoying | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>DRY EYES</i> | | | | | |
| Eyes feel "dry" and sting | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| "Stare" into space without blinking | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Have to rub the eyes a lot | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>DEPTH PERCEPTION</i> | | | | | |
| Clumsiness / misjudge where objects really are | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Lack of confidence walking / missing steps / stumbling | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Poor handwriting (spacing, size, legibility) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>PERIPHERAL VISION</i> | | | | | |
| Side vision distorted / objects move or change position | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| What looks straight ahead--isn't always straight ahead | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Avoid crowds / can't tolerate "visually-busy" places | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>READING</i> | | | | | |
| Short attention span / easily distracted when reading | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Difficulty / slowness with reading and writing | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Poor reading comprehension / can't remember what was read | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Confusion of words / skip words during reading | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Lose place / have to use finger not to lose place when reading | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |