

NACC Uniform Data Set (UDS)

Follow-up Form B6: Behavioral Assessment – Geriatric Depression Scale (GDS¹)

Center: _____ ADC Subject ID: _____ Form Date: ____/____/____

NOTE: This form is to be completed by the clinician or other trained health professional, based on subject response. For additional clarification and examples, see UDS Coding Guidebook for Follow-up Visit Packet, Form B6. Circle only one number per question. ADC Visit #: _____ Examiner's initials: _____

Check this box and enter "88" below for the Total GDS Score if and only if the subject: 1) does not attempt the GDS, or 2) answers fewer than twelve questions.

Instruct the subject: "In the next part of this interview, I will ask you questions about your feelings. Some of the questions I will ask you may not apply, and some may make you feel uncomfortable. For each question, please answer "yes" or "no", depending on how you have been feeling **in the past week, including today.**"

	Yes	No
1. Are you basically satisfied with your life?	0	1
2. Have you dropped many of your activities and interests?	1	0
3. Do you feel that your life is empty?	1	0
4. Do you often get bored?	1	0
5. Are you in good spirits most of the time?	0	1
6. Are you afraid that something bad is going to happen to you?	1	0
7. Do you feel happy most of the time?	0	1
8. Do you often feel helpless?	1	0
9. Do you prefer to stay at home, rather than going out and doing new things?	1	0
10. Do you feel you have more problems with memory than most?	1	0
11. Do you think it is wonderful to be alive now?	0	1
12. Do you feel pretty worthless the way you are now?	1	0
13. Do you feel full of energy?	0	1
14. Do you feel that your situation is hopeless?	1	0
15. Do you think that most people are better off than you are?	1	0
16. Sum all circled answers for a Total GDS Score (maximum score = 15) (did not complete = 88)	—	—

¹ Sheikh JI, Yesavage JA. Geriatric Depression Scale (GDS): Recent evidence and development of a shorter version. Clinical Gerontology: A Guide to Assessment and Intervention 165-173, NY: The Haworth Press, 1986. Reproduced by permission of the publisher.