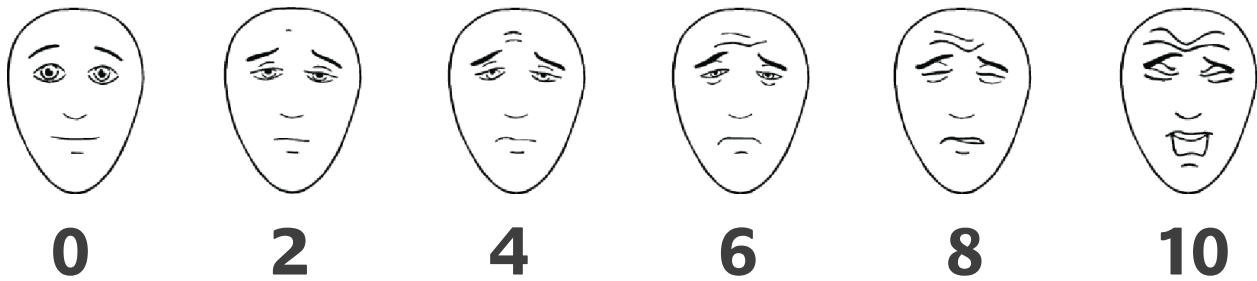


Assessing Children's Pain

Faces Pain Scale | Revised (FPS-R) for children over 3 years



Can you point to the face that shows how much you hurt?

These faces show how much something can hurt. The face on the left shows no pain. The faces show more and more pain up to the face on the right- it shows the worst pain you can imagine. Point to the face that shows how much you hurt.

In the following instructions, say “hurt” or “pain”, whichever seems right for a particular child. Score the chosen face **0, 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10**, counting left to right, so: **“0” = “no pain”** and **“10” = “the worst pain you can imagine”**. Do not use words like “happy” or “sad”. This scale is intended to measure how children feel inside, not how their face looks.

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