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Parkinson's Impact Scale (PIMS)**

Availability:	Please visit this website for more information about the instrument: Parkinson's Impact Scale .
Classification:	Supplemental for Parkinson's Disease (PD)
Short Description of Instrument:	<p>The Parkinson's Impact Scale (PIMS) is a 10 item scale that measures the impact of Parkinson's disease on everyday life. This disease specific, quality of life measure can be completed by the subject or by an interviewer and is intended for patients but has been validated for caregivers as well.</p> <p>The PIMS has four domains: physical aspects of disease (5 items), psychological aspects (2 items), social aspects (2 items) and sexuality (2 items).</p>
Scoring:	Each item is scored on a scale of 0–4 with 4 indicating the most severe impact and 0 indicating no change.
Restrictions:	N/A.
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