Numeric Pain Scale

0–10 SCALE OF PAIN SEVERITY

Scale	Severity	Description of Experience
10	Unable to Move	I am in bed and can't move due to my pain. I need someone to take me to the emergency room to get help for my pain.
9	Severe	My pain is all that I can think about. I can barely talk or move because of the pain.
8	Intense	My pain Is so severe that It is hard to think of anything else. Talking and listening are difficult.
7	Unmanageable	I am in pain all the time. It keeps me from doing most activities.
6	Distressing	I think about my pain all of the time. I give up many activities because of my pain.
5	Distracting	I think about my pain most of the time. I cannot do some of the activities I need to do each day because of the pain.
4	Moderate	I am constantly aware of my pain but I can continue most activities.
3	Uncomfortable	My pain bothers me but I can ignore it most of the time.
2	Mild	I have a low level of pain. I am aware of my pain only when I pay attention to it.
1	Minimal	My pain is hardly noticeable.
0	No Pain	I have no pain.