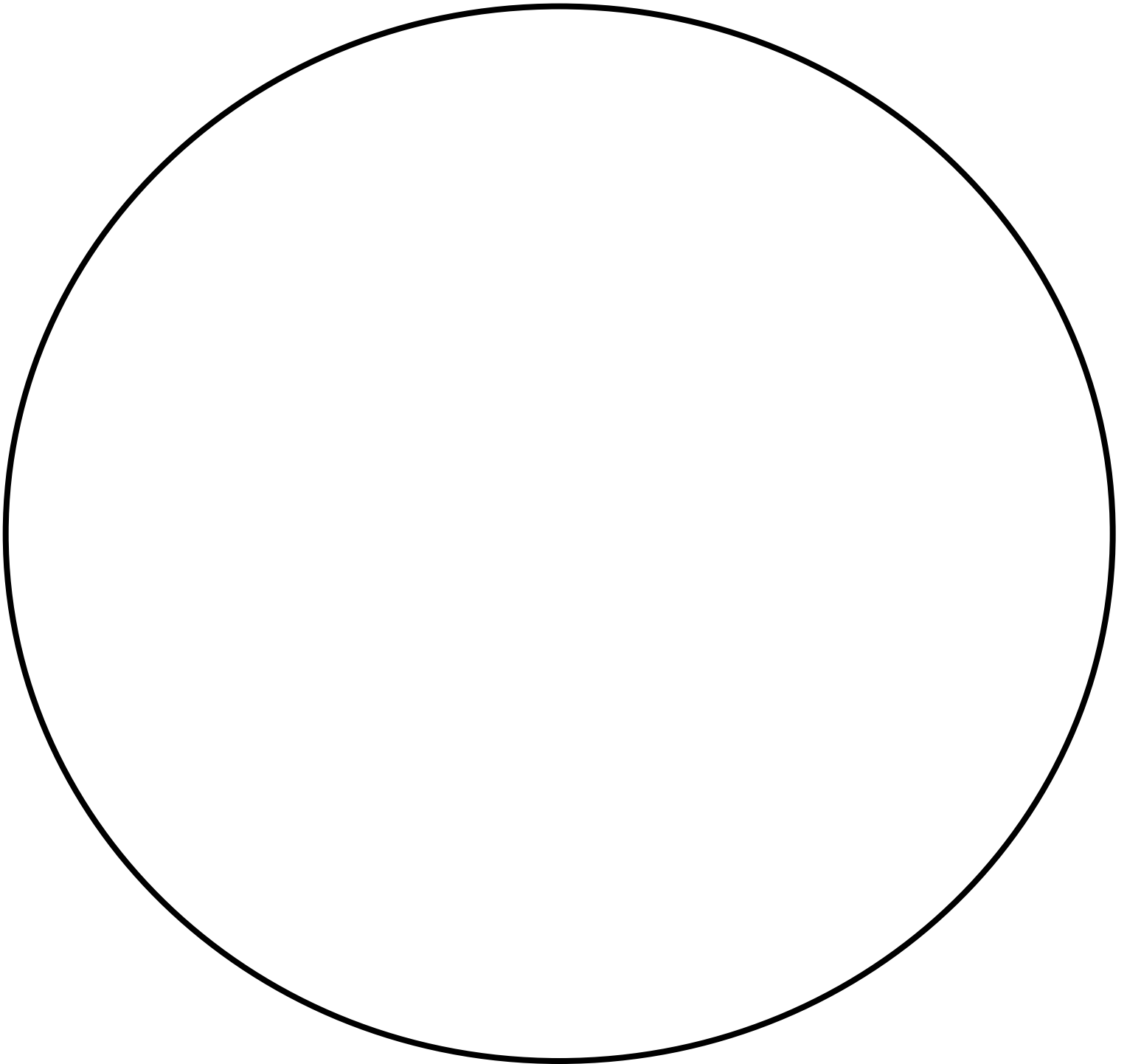


## Clock Drawing Test

Patient's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### **Instructions for the Clock Drawing Test:**

- Step 1: Give patient a sheet of paper with a large (relative to the size of handwritten numbers) predrawn circle on it. Indicate the top of the page.
- Step 2: Instruct patient to draw numbers in the circle to make the circle look like the face of a clock and then draw the hands of the clock to read "10 after 11."

### **Scoring:**

Score the clock based on the following six-point scoring system:

<b>Score</b>	<b>Error(s)</b>	<b>Examples</b>
1	"Perfect"	No errors in the task
2	Minor visuospatial errors	a) Mildly impaired spacing of times b) Draws times outside circle c) Turns page while writing so that some numbers appear upside down d) Draws in lines (spokes) to orient spacing
3	Inaccurate representation of 10 after 11 when visuospatial organization is perfect or shows only minor deviations	a) Minute hand points to 10 b) Writes "10 after 11" c) Unable to make any denotation of time
4	Moderate visuospatial disorganization of times such that accurate denotation of 10 after 11 is impossible	a) Moderately poor spacing b) Omits numbers c) Perseveration: repeats circle or continues on past 12 to 13, 14, 15, etc. d) Right-left reversal: numbers drawn counterclockwise e) Dysgraphia: unable to write numbers accurately
5	Severe level of disorganization as described in scoring of 4	See examples for scoring of 4
6	No reasonable representation of a clock	a) No attempt at all b) No semblance of a clock at all c) Writes a word or name

(Shulman et al., 1993)

Higher scores reflect a greater number of errors and more impairment. A score of  $\geq 3$  represents a cognitive deficit, while a score of 1 or 2 is considered normal.

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