

Colored Arrow Chart

(Oculomotor, Visual Perception, Gross Motor, Body Awareness & Directionality)

Prerequisite: The patient is able to stand and have full mobility.

Purpose: To challenge patients with their directionality.

Appropriate for whom: For any patient who is struggling with body awareness, letter reversals, confusing right from left, and struggles with directionality. The various levels afford a great amount of challenge to older patients, while the most basic level is great for younger patients who struggle with right-left confusion.

Procedure:

1. Place Arrow Chart right below eye level on the wall.
2. Have patient stand 2-3 ft. away from the Chart.
3. Instruct the patient to say aloud the direction of the arrow and make the corresponding body motion with both arms extended.
4. Have the patient continue through the Chart, making each corresponding motion.

Materials:

- Colored Arrow Chart
- metronome

Key Observations/Questions:

Variations:

- Level 1: Do and say the same as each arrow. Patient says and motions the direction the arrow is pointing.
- Level 2: Do and say the opposite of each arrow. Patient says and motions the opposite of the direction the arrow is pointing.
- Level 3: Do the same and say the opposite of each arrow. Patient motions the direction the arrow is pointing, but says the opposite of where it's pointing.
- Level 4: Do the opposite and say the same as each arrow. Patient motions in the opposite direction from where the arrow is pointing, but says where the arrow is pointing.
- For more of a challenge, have the patient perform the Arrow Chart with the metronome. Repeat Levels 1-4 with the metronome
- Repeat Levels 1-4 While the patient says the Color of the box instead of the direction.

Troubleshooting:

- Problem: Patient unable to coordinate movements with speech. Unload by just doing the basic body movement.
- Problem: Movement and speech are not in sync. Work at hearing the beat of the metronome and see if they can use that rhythm as a guide to movement.