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## KING'S ALS STAGING FORM

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

Tester's name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Bulbar region:

- Unaffected
- Function affected (e.g. slurred speech, slowing difficulty, or hypophonia)
- Affected on examination only (accepted signs: tongue atrophy fasciculation, slowness of movement)
- Affected on reflex examination only (accepted sign: pathologically brisk jaw jerks only)

### Upper limbs:

- Unaffected
- Function affected (e.g. difficulty with keys, doorknobs, zips, bags)
- Affected on examination only (accepted sign: wasting of the first dorsal interossei)
- Affected on reflex examination only (accepted signs: the presence of pectoral reflexes or Hoffman's sign)

### Lower limbs:

- Unaffected
- Function affected e.g. difficulty walking, falls, cramps etc.
- Affected on examination only (accepted signs: gait stiffness or foot drop)
- Affected on reflex examination only (accepted signs: crossed adductor reflexes, pathologically brisk patellar reflexes or ankle clonus)

**Weight (in Kg)** *an estimate is acceptable if actual weight is not known or measurable*

Current

Baseline Weight

RIG needed/ in-situ: **Yes**  **No**

**Respiratory symptoms** (exertional dyspnea, orthopnoea or excessive daytime sleepiness):

Yes  No

**Respiratory function** *Please complete what is available*

SNIP (cm H<sub>2</sub>O)

Recent SNIP in last 3 months:

FVC

Pulse Oximetry SpO<sub>2</sub>

pCO<sub>2</sub>

NIV needed/used: **Yes**  **No**

**NOTE:** *If pulse oximetry is the only measure used to test respiratory function AND SpO<sub>2</sub> is ≤94% AND pCO<sub>2</sub> <6kPa then arrange for the patient to have overnight oximetry*

**Does patient fulfil any of the criteria for advanced disease requiring intervention?**



1. RIG needed/ in-situ            **Y N**
2. NIV needed/used                **Y N**
3. Weight loss more than 10% of baseline            **Y N**
4. SNIP < 40cm H<sub>2</sub>O or a decrease > 10cm H<sub>2</sub>O over 3 months    **Y N**
5. Patient has respiratory symptoms AND  
SNIP is < 65cm H<sub>2</sub>O (for men) or < 55cm H<sub>2</sub>O (for women).    **Y N**
6. FVC: < 50% of predicted FVC.    **Y N**
7. Patient has respiratory symptoms AND FVC < 80% of predicted FVC    **Y N**
8. SpO<sub>2</sub> on oximetry is ≤94% AND either
  - pCO<sub>2</sub> >6kPa OR    **Y N**
  - Overnight oximetry shows ≥5 dips/hours below 80%    **Y N**

**NO to all above**

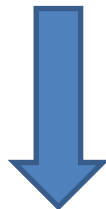


**YES to any of above**



**How many regions  
(Bulbar, Upper limb, lower  
limb) are involved?**

**Stage 4**



Involvement	Stage
One region involved	1
Two regions involved	2
Three regions involved	3

**Patient's KCL Stage**

