

# Competency in psychiatric in patients

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Pending
<b>Health condition type</b>	Psychiatric disorders NEC
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON30323

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

competency

### Condition

- Psychiatric disorders NEC

### Synonym

depression, mood disorder

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Meerkanten GGZ (Ermelo)

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** wordt niet gefinancierd

### Intervention

**Keyword:** competency, psychiatric patients

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Competent or not

### Secondary outcome

BPRS

HDRS

MMSE

NLV

## Study description

### Background summary

Competency is a complex term. It is relevant in many professions, but very much so in psychiatry. However, to determine whether someone is in fact competent is not easy and is not standardised at all.

In the United States an instrument has been developed to determine the degree of competency. It has been tested on psychiatric patients and has good psychometric properties.

In the Netherlands it has never been used or validated. This current research tries to make a start with this.

### Study objective

To investigate whether the use of this instrument can make the determination of competency more objective and better.

### Study design

Fifteen patients will be interviewed. The result of the interview with the instrument and the opinion of the psychiatrist will be compared. Some other tests will also be done, mainly for seriousness of the illness (BPRS, HDRS, MMSE) and a short intelligence test.

## Study burden and risks

Low risk, 2 or 3 interviews of 30-45 minutes.

## Contacts

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Between 18 and 60 years of age

Able to speak Dutch

Beginning or changing antidepressants, antipsychotics, mood stabilisers or starting ECT

## Exclusion criteria

Diagnosis at admission personality disorder

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 15-10-2006

Enrollment: 15

Type: Anticipated

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 11-10-2006

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METIGG: Medisch Ethische Toetsingscommissie Instellingen Geestelijke Gezondheidszorg (Utrecht)

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register	ID
CCMO	NL14696.097.06