

# OAB-V8

## Overactive Bladder-Validated 8-question Awareness Tool<sup>1</sup>

The questions below ask about how bothered you may be by some bladder symptoms. Some people are bothered by bladder symptoms and may not realize that there are treatments available for their symptoms. Please circle that number that best describes how much you have been bothered by each symptom. Add the numbers together for a total score and record the score in the box provided at the bottom.

How bothered have you been by...	Not at all	A little bit	Some-what	Quite a bit	A great deal	A very great deal
1. Frequent urination during the daytime hours?	0	1	2	3	4	5
2. An uncomfortable urge to urinate?	0	1	2	3	4	5
3. A sudden urge to urinate with little or no warning?	0	1	2	3	4	5
4. Accidental loss of small amounts of urine?	0	1	2	3	4	5
5. Nighttime urination?	0	1	2	3	4	5
6. Waking up at night because you had to urinate?	0	1	2	3	4	5
7. An uncontrollable urge to urinate?	0	1	2	3	4	5
8. Urine loss associated with a strong desire to urinate?	0	1	2	3	4	5

Are you a male?

If male,  add 2 points to your score

Please add up your responses to the questions above

Please hand this page to your healthcare provider when you see him/her for your visit.

If your score is 8 or greater, you may have overactive bladder. There are effective treatments for this condition. You may want to talk with a healthcare professional about your symptoms.

Note: You may be asked to give a urine sample. Please ask before going to the bathroom.

Reference: 1. Coyne KS, Zyczynski T, Margolis MK, Elinoff V, Roberts RG. Validation of an overactive bladder awareness tool for use in a primary care setting. *Adv Ther*. In press.