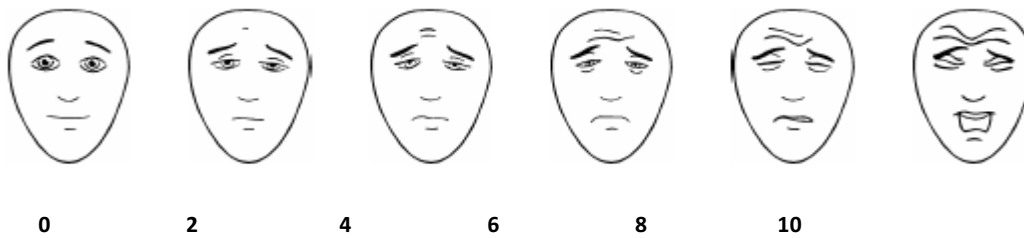


**Pain Assessment Tools at ACH – found online for Alberta Children’s Health employees**

**r-FLACC Pain Scale (Infants, toddlers, and non-verbal or developmentally delayed patients)**

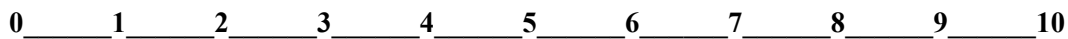
(REVISED) FLACC Scale			
Scoring			
Categories	0	1	2
Face	No particular expression or smile	Occasional grimace or frown, withdrawn, disinterested, Sad, appears worried	Frequent to constant quivering chin, clenched jaw, distressed looking face, expression of fright/panic
Legs	Normal position or relaxed, usual tone & motion to limbs	Uneasy, restless, tense, occasional tremors	Kicking, or legs drawn up, marked increase in spasticity, constant tremors, jerking
Activity	Lying quietly, normal position, moves easily, regular, rhythmic respirations	Squirming, shifting back and forth, tense, tense/guarded movements, mildly agitated, shallow/splinting respirations, intermittent sighs	Arched, rigid or jerking, severe agitation, head banging, shivering, breath holding, gasping, severe splinting
Cry	No cry (awake or asleep),	Moans or whimpers; occasional complaint, occasional verbal outbursts, constant grunting	Crying steadily, screams or sobs, frequent complaints, repeated outbursts, constant grunting
Consolability	Content, relaxed	Reassured by occasional touching, hugging or being talked to, distractible	Difficult to console or comfort, pushing caregiver away, resisting care or comfort measures
Each of the five categories (F) Face; (L) Legs; (A) Activity; (C) Cry; (C) Consolability is scored from 0-2, which results in a total score between zero and ten.			
Merkel, S and others. The FLACC: A behavioral scale for scoring postoperative pain in young children. <i>Pediatr Nurse</i> 23(3):293-297, 1997. Copyright: Jannetti Co. University of Michigan Medical Center.			
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**Faces Pain Scale (ages 4 years and up)**



"These faces show how much something can hurt. This face [point to left-most face] shows no pain. The faces show more and more pain [point to each from left to right] up to this one [point to right]"

**Numeric Pain Scale (ages 7 years and up)**



No Pain

Worst pain possible