

# Interview with Alice

## W2 Patient Interview Form: Alice

*During this video segment, there is no extra narration.*

1. **Describe your general impression of Alice. Include how she came into the therapy clinic, cognitive status and awareness of her involved side.**

Alice walked quickly into the therapy room without any assistance or equipment. She is very alert. Exceptionally good memory. Very good awareness of the right side. No noticeable cognitive problems.

2. **How does Alice describe the onset of her stroke? Include sequence of events (hospitalizations) and any physical limitations.**

Alice suffered her stroke during a flight from Seattle to New York on April 30-May 1, 10 years ago. She knew something was wrong because she was tired and couldn't speak. She went directly from the airport to the hospital. She thinks it may be related to changes in medication. She stayed in the hospital 2-3 weeks (where therapy began) and was then transferred to inpatient rehab at Burke. She stayed approximately 6-8 weeks for OT, PT and Speech therapy.

3. **Describe Alice's ability to communicate. Any problems related to her ability to understand verbal communication or respond to questions?**

Comprehension (ability to understand) appears good. She seems to understand questions and express herself well. She reports that she sometimes has word finding difficulties and has trouble remembering people's names. She reports that she can no longer add up long columns of numbers.

4. **Does Alice use any splints or orthotic devices? Please describe each one and when she uses each.**

Alice still uses a brace (AFO with dorsiflexion) for her right foot.

5. **Describe Alice's biggest concern (as she explains during the interview).**

She is most concerned about her right hand and also has concerns about her ability to use her right leg.

6. **Does Alice have any complaints of pain? Please describe.**

None

7. **How does Alice describe the sensation or "feeling" in her right hand?**

She says that it is "somewhat more temperature sensitive". Alice states that it feels about the same as her left hand.