The Clinical Observation of Motor and Postural Skills – Second Edition (COMPS-2)

Overview
The Clinical Observation of Motor and Postural Skills – Second Edition (COMPS-2; Wilson, Kaplan, Pollock, & Law, 2000) is a screening tool for identifying the presence or absence of motor problems with a postural component. It is based on six clinical observations suggested by Ayres (1972) to supplement information received from standardized tests, including slow movements, rapid forearm rotation, finger–nose touching, prone extension posture, asymmetrical tonic neck reflex, and supine flexion posture.

The COMPS-2, which takes less than 15 minutes to administer, is appropriate for children ages 5 through 15. It can be used to screen groups of children. The authors’ caution that the COMPS-2 is not designed for children with known neurological or neuromotor problems, such as CP or epilepsy, nor for children with general intellectual delay.

Summary

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