These are great screening questions to add to your patient intake form. These will help you screen for potential cognitive issues which will boost your Cognitive Assessment code frequencies. (96132, 96138, 99483)

Potential questions for the caregiver:

Does it take the patient longer to make simple decisions than it used to? Does the patient sometimes mumble or speak nonsense? Does the patient become upset or agitated more easily than he/she used to? Does the patient sometimes see or hear things that aren't there? Do you worry that the patient will wander or get lost?

Potential questions for the patient:

Do you remember things as well as you used to?

Do you sometimes have trouble focusing on simple tasks?

Do you frequently misplace your keys, phone, etc.?

Do you sometimes get lost or "turned around" in familiar places?

Does it take you longer to make simple decisions than it used to, for example, which way to turn at an intersection or whether an item you're considering for purchase is a good deal?

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