Confusion Assessment Method for the ICU (CAM-ICU) Flowsheet

1. Acute Change or Fluctuating Course of Mental Status:
   - Is there an acute change from mental status baseline?  OR
   - Has the patient’s mental status fluctuated during the past 24 hours?

   YES

   NO

   CAM-ICU negative
   NO DELIRIUM

2. Inattention:
   - “Squeeze my hand when I say the letter ‘A’.”
     Read the following sequence of letters: S A V E A H A A R T
     ERRORS: No squeeze with ‘A’ & Squeeze on letter other than ‘A’
   - If unable to complete Letters → Pictures

   > 2 Errors

   0 - 2 Errors

   CAM-ICU negative
   NO DELIRIUM

3. Altered Level of Consciousness
   Current RASS level

   RASS = zero

   RASS other than zero

   CAM-ICU positive
   DELIRIUM Present

4. Disorganized Thinking:
   1. Will a stone float on water?
   2. Are there fish in the sea?
   3. Does one pound weigh more than two?
   4. Can you use a hammer to pound a nail?

   Command: “Hold up this many fingers” (Hold up 2 fingers)
   “Now do the same thing with the other hand” (Do not demonstrate)
   OR “Add one more finger” (If patient unable to move both arms)

   > 1 Error

   0 - 1 Error

   CAM-ICU negative
   NO DELIRIUM

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