

SMART™

Strategic Management of Acute Rehabilitation Transitions Tool

The importance of improved discharge planning and optimal care transitions cannot be overemphasized in today's healthcare industry. The need for acute and post-acute settings to employ effective tools for identifying those patients at higher risk for unnecessary hospital readmission is clear.

The BCAT® Research Center developed the SMART™ Tool in response to the need for professionals to be able to accurately identify risk for hospital admissions and readmissions in their patients. This brief instrument identifies at-risk patients for unnecessary readmissions from any setting (e.g., inpatient rehabilitation, nursing home, senior living, community-dwelling, etc.). The instrument integrates a rapid assessment component with other hospitalization risk variables. It can be used by any healthcare provider, or paraprofessional, as a standalone assessment, or as part of the BCAT® Approach to care.

To view a video description of SMART™, click here: [What is SMART?](#).

To learn more about how the SMART™ Tool can support your organization to mitigate risk, reduce hospital readmissions and help to ensure safe and sustainable discharges, contact us at info@thebcat.com.