

Appendix B. Functional oral intake scale (FOIS)

Level 1: Nothing by mouth.

Level 2: Tube dependent with minimal attempts of food or liquid.

Level 3: Tube dependent with consistent oral intake of food or liquid.

Level 4: Total oral diet of a single consistency.

Level 5: Total oral diet with multiple consistencies, but requiring special preparation or compensations.

Level 6: Total oral diet with multiple consistencies without special preparation, but with specific food limitations.

Level 7: Total oral diet with no restrictions.

Total score out of 7 (range 1 – 7). Death is assigned 0.

See ⁴¹