

USMLE-CIS – these are two communication items that the USMLE CS is assessing and that are not well represented in our usual CIS scale. These items are scored for your information, but are not included in the CIS score for pass/fail purposes.

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<p>34. Facilitated the expression of an implied or stated emotion or something important to me.</p> <p>Comment...</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Did not facilitate emotion: The learner's questions, responses to my answers, or body language did not encourage me to express an emotion important to me. <input type="radio"/> Cursory acknowledgement of emotion: The learner acknowledged an emotion I expressed <input type="radio"/> Acknowledgement: The learner acknowledged an emotion I expressed and provided limited emotional support. <input type="radio"/> Validation: The learner was empathetic, sensitive and respectful of me and of my feelings and provided emotional support. S/he reflected these feelings/values back to me, which helped me feel supported. <input type="radio"/> Not applicable – no emotions other than those related to the illness or problem.
<p>35. Explored my reaction to my illness or my problem</p> <p>Comment...</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Did not explore: The learner did not elicit or, if reaction given spontaneously, did not acknowledge follow up on my reaction to my illness/problem <input type="radio"/> Cursory exploration: The learner elicited or, if reaction given spontaneously, acknowledged my reaction to my illness/problem and then continued with medical questions <input type="radio"/> Adequate exploration: The learner asked a brief follow up question to my reaction to my illness/problem <input type="radio"/> Exploration above level expected: The learner asked open-ended probing questions and allowed time for me to share my feelings before moving on with the interview