DSM-IV Criteria for Delirium

A. Disturbance of consciousness (i.e., reduced clarity of awareness of the environment) with reduced ability to focus, sustain or shift attention. 
   ___yes___no

B. A change in cognition or the development of a perceptual disturbance that is not better accounted for by a preexisting, established or evolving dementia. 
   ___yes___no

C. The disturbance develops over a short period of time (usually hours to days) and tends to fluctuate during the course of the day 
   ___yes___no

D. There is evidence from the history, physical examination or laboratory findings that the disturbance is caused by the direct physiological consequences of a general medical condition. 
   ___yes___no