

MDS and Documentation Changes for October 2023

Changes to Existing Documentation Topics

The following documentation will be completed in the same way that it was previously, but some questions have been added or changed to meet new MDS requirements.

Pain Assessment

- Updated responses to “Has pain made it hard to sleep” to match new MDS verbiage (J0510)
- Removed “Has pain limited daily activities” and replaced with more specific items:
 - Pain interference with therapy (J0520)
 - Pain interferes with day-to-day activities (J0530)

HAS PAIN MADE IT HARD TO SLEEP	PAIN INTERFERENCE WITH THERAPY
rarely or not at all	does not apply
occasionally	rarely or not at all
frequently	occasionally
almost constantly	frequently
unable to answer	almost constantly
	unable to answer
	PAIN INTERFERES W/DAY-TO-DAY
	rarely or not at all
	occasionally
	frequently
	almost constantly
	unable to answer

Personal Information

- Expanded options for Ethnicity have been added (A1005).
- Expanded options for Race have been added (A1010).

ETHNICITY:	RACE:
(select all that apply)	(select all that apply)
Not Hispanic or Latino/a	White
Mexican, Mex. Amer., Chicano/a	Black or African American
Puerto Rican	American Indian/Alaskan Native
Cuban	Asian Indian
Other Hispanic, Latino/a, or	Chinese
Resident unable to respond	Filipino
Resident declines to respond	Japanese
	Korean
	Vietnamese
	Other Asian
	Native Hawaiian
	Guamanian or Chamorro
	Samoan
	Other Pacific Islander
	Resident unable to respond
	Resident declines to respond
	None of the Above

Click here to complete your [Pre-Setup Questionnaire](#), and let us know when you have updated to version 10.2.0.0.



PHQ-2 to 9 (PHQ-9)

- The social isolation screening question has been added to the beginning of the mood interview (D0700)

Social Isolation
SOCIAL ISOLATION
Never
Rarely
Sometimes
Often
Always
Resident declines to respond
Resident unable to respond

Care Plans (Nursing or Person Centered)

- The Basic Care Needs care plans have been updated to use language aligning with Functional Abilities and Goals.

I need my aides to ...	I REPOSITION IN BED:	I TRANSFER:	I EAT:	I USE THE BATHROOM:
give me time to do tasks	independently	independently	independently	independently
encourage independence w/cares	with 1 helper providing	with 1 helper providing	with 1 helper providing	with 1 helper providing
offer me simple instructions	with 2 helpers providing	with 2 helpers providing	with 2 helpers providing	with 2 helpers providing
give me smaller tasks	setup or clean-up assist	setup or clean-up assist	setup or clean-up assist	setup or clean-up assist
explain procedures to me	supervision or touch assist	supervision or touch assist	supervision or touch assist	supervision or touch assist
praise my progress and effort	less than half the effort	less than half the effort	less than half the effort	less than half the effort
speak to me slowly and clearly	more than half the effort	more than half the effort	more than half the effort	more than half the effort
distract me with	all of the effort	all of the effort	all of the effort	all of the effort
encourage me to				
help me with				
show me how to	I use a trapeze	transfer me with	I like my food cut-up for me	I wear incontinence briefs
give me cues	I need to wear a knee immob/sp	a knee immobilizer/splint	I need thickened liquids so I	I wear nighttime undergarments
give me rest periods	I use an assist bar	a pivot board	place items within my reach	I need help wiping
check my skin during care		a slide board	help position me correct/meals	I need help adjusting clothes
		a trapeze		follow my toileting schedule

Status Topic

- The options for "Admitted From" and "Readmitted From" have been expanded to match new MDS options (A1805).
- The options for "Discharged To" and "Transferred To," have been expanded to match new MDS options (A2105).

Status	ADMITTED FROM:	READMITTED FROM:	TRANSFERRED TO :	DISCHARGED TO:
^ Face Sheet	Home/Community	Home/Community	Home/Community	Home/Community
	Nursing Home (long-term care)	Nursing Home (long-term care)	Nursing Home (long-term care)	Nursing Home (long-term care)
	Skilled Nursing Facility	Skilled Nursing Facility	Skilled Nursing Facility	Skilled Nursing Facility
	Short-Term General Hospital	Short-Term General Hospital	Acute care hospital	Acute care hospital
	LTCH	LTCH	LTCH	LTCH
	Inpatient rehab facility	Inpatient rehab facility	Inpatient rehab facility	Inpatient rehab facility
	Psychiatric hospital	Psychiatric hospital	Psychiatric hospital	Psychiatric hospital
	Intermediate Care Facility	Intermediate Care Facility	Intermediate Care Facility	Intermediate Care Facility
	Hospice (home/non-institution)	Hospice (home/non-institution)	Hospice (home/non-institution)	Hospice (home/non-institution)
	Hospice (institutional fac.)	Hospice (institutional fac.)	Hospice (institutional fac.)	Hospice (institutional fac.)
	Critical Access Hospital (CAH)	Critical Access Hospital (CAH)	Critical Access Hospital (CAH)	Critical Access Hospital (CAH)
	Home w/organized home health	Home w/organized home health	Home w/organized home health	Home w/organized home health
	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Expired
	ADMISSION TIME:	READMISSION TIME:	TRANSFER TIME:	Expired (at home) Hospice Only
	ADMISSION DATE:(original)	READMISSION DATE:(latest)	TRANSFER DATE:	Expired Med Fac Hospice Only
	COUNTY ADMITTED FROM:	^ ROOM CHANGE on Readmit		Not Listed
				DISCHARGE TIME:
				DISCHARGE DATE:

Admission Note

- Several items for section GG have been added to the Admission note:
 - Prior Functioning: Everyday Activities: Self-Care (GG0100A)
 - Prior Functioning: Everyday Activities: Indoor Mobility (Ambulation) (GG0100B)
 - Prior Functioning: Everyday Activities: Stairs (GG0100C)
 - Prior Functioning: Everyday Activities: Functional Cognition (GG0100D)
 - Prior Device use (GG0110)
 - Functional Limitation in Range of Motion (GG0115)
 - Mobility Devices (GG0120)

Prior Functioning				
SELF-CARE:	INDOOR MOBILITY (AMBULATION):	STAIRS:	FUNCTIONAL COGNITION:	USED PRIOR TO CURRENT ILLNESS:
Independent	Independent	Independent	Independent	Manual Wheelchair
Needed Some Help	Needed Some Help	Needed Some Help	Needed Some Help	Motorized wheelchair/scooter
Dependent	Dependent	Dependent	Dependent	Mechanical lift
Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Walker
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Orthotics/Prosthetics
Definition	Definition	Definition	Definition	None of the above

- “Current Treatments” has also been removed and replaced with “Special Treatments/Procedures on Admission.” The new treatments feature an expanded list of options which match the updated MDS items in section O (O0110).
- In the Prior Surgeries section, “involving male/female organs” has been changed to “involving genital systems.”

Special Treatments/Procedures
SPECIAL TX/PROC ON ADMISSION:
Day 1-3 of PPS Stay
Chemotherapy:
Radiation
Oxygen Therapy:
Suctioning:
Tracheostomy care
Invasive Mechanical Vent/Resp
Non-Invasive Mech Ventilator:
IV Medications:
Transfusions
Dialysis:
IV Access:
None of the Above

New Documentation Topics

The following topics have been added to your ECS database and may replace existing topics. If an existing topic is replaced, the existing topic will be labeled “legacy” and the new topic will be set up to display in the same tasks and reports. Also, documentation from the old topic will be displayed in the defined review area at the bottom of the screen when documenting.














Functional Abilities and Goals (GG) (Nursing/Therapy)

- Note: Nursing and Therapy will be sharing a single Functional Abilities and Goals topic.
- A new Functional Abilities and Goals topic has been added. This is called “Funct Abilities/Goals (GGv4)” and is in the “Assessments” section, or “Nurse Charting,” if you don’t have the New Nursing Module.
- The new topic works a bit differently than the old assessment: Rather than duplicating the assessment items for “Admission,” “Discharge,” and “Interim,” the new topic has one set of words for all assessment types. These words are then pulled to the assessment based on the admission date and which items are open in section GG.

- There are instructional words at the beginning of each section to assist users in completing the correct portions of the assessment.
 - Complete for all residents – This is the first section of the assessment and should be completed for all residents each time the assessment is assigned.
 - Continue to Skilled ADL Performance if first or last 3 days of stay – This follows “Wheel 150” and signals the end of the interim portion of the assessment. Users can stop and sign the assessment here if it is neither the first nor the last 3 days of the resident’s stay. Otherwise, the “Skilled ADL Performance” section should be completed.
 - Continue to discharge goals if assessing day 1-3 of a skilled stay – This follows “Picking up object,” and signals the end of the Skilled ADL Performance section. Users can stop and sign the assessment here unless the resident’s payer is Medicare A and it is day 1-3 of their stay. Otherwise, at least one discharge goal should be assigned.
- There are some shortcuts to be aware of at the beginning of the topic:
 - ^ Skip to Skilled Items – Skilled items include car transfer, walking 10’ on an uneven surface, steps, and picking up object. These items are not included in the CNA documentation, as nursing judgement may be required to determine if it is safe to attempt them. If your facility has GG documented by CNAs, it may still be necessary for nurses to complete this section of the assessment.
 - ^ Ability Definitions: This shortcut will bring up a list of the Functional Abilities being assessed and provide a brief definition of each to assist with documentation.
 - ^ Response Definitions: This shortcut will bring up a list of the Quality of Performance response options and a brief definition of each.

Funct. Abilities/Goals Assess.	Self-Care	View CNA Self-Care Notes						
^ Skip to Skilled Items	ASSESSMENT DATE:	EATING	ORAL HYGIENE	TOILETING HYGIENE	SHOWER/BATHE	UPPER BODY DRESS	LOWER BODY DRESS	
^ Ability Definitions	Complete for all residents	independent	independent	independent	independent	independent	independent	
^ Response Definitions		setup	setup	setup	setup	setup	setup	
		supervision/touching	supervision/touching	supervision/touching	supervision/touching	supervision/touching	supervision/touching	
		partial/moderate	partial/moderate	partial/moderate	partial/moderate	partial/moderate	partial/moderate	
		substantial/maximal	substantial/maximal	substantial/maximal	substantial/maximal	substantial/maximal	substantial/maximal	
		dependent	dependent	dependent	dependent	dependent	dependent	
		Did not occur due to:	refused	refused	refused	refused	refused	refused
		environment	environment	environment	environment	environment	environment	environment
		medical condition	medical condition	medical condition	medical condition	medical condition	medical condition	medical condition
		not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable

Name(s) | Topic(s) CNA / AM Bathing v4 / All

	LATE ENTRY							
AM BATHING:	Independent	Setup	Supervision or Touching	Partial/Moderate	Substantial/Maximal	Dependent or 2 Assist	Refused	Not Applicable
TUB/SHOWER TRANSFER:	Independent	Setup	Supervision or Touching	Partial/Moderate	Substantial/Maximal	Dependent or 2 Assist	Refused	Not Applicable
BATH TYPE:	 Bed Bath	 Tub Bath	 Shower	 Other				
BATHING CARES:	 Fingernail Care	 Toenail Care	 Lotion	 Shampoo	 Conditioner	 Hair Dried	 Shaved	 Other

Discharge Goal/Care Conference (Q)

- A new topic has been designed to replace the previously used Discharge Planning (Q) and Care Conference topics. The new topic contains elements from both previous topics to provide more streamlined documentation of care conferences where residents/family/significant others participate in the assessment and goal setting for the resident.
- This topic houses documentation related to several of the new MDS items as well as the existing documentation for section (Q):
 - Lack of Transportation (A1250)
 - Provision of current reconciled medication list to resident (A2105)
 - Provision of current reconciled medication list to provider (A2121)
 - Health Literacy (B1300)
 - Active Participants in the Assessment Process (Q0110)
 - Updated verbiage for Resident's Overall Goal (Q0310A)
 - Expanded options for Information source for overall goal (Q0310B) and desire to be asked about leaving the facility (Q0500C)
 - Updated verbiage for Resident's desire to be asked about leaving the facility (Q0500B)
 - Local Contact Agency referral information (Q0500)
 - Special Treatments or Procedures while a resident and at discharge (O0110)

Discharge Plan					
DC PLANNING IN PROGRESS: Is active discharge planning already occurring for the resident to return to the community?	REFERRAL TO LOCAL AGENCY: Has a referral been made to the Local Contact Agency(LCA)?	HEALTH LITERACY: "How often do you need to have someone help you when you read written material from your doctor or pharmacy?"	LACK OF TRANSPORTATION? "Has lack of transportation kept you from medical appts, meetings, work, or from getting things needed for daily living?"	Provision of current reconciled medication list at discharge: TO RESIDENT TO PROVIDER ^ View/Print DC Med List	ANTICIPATED LIVING SITUATION: FINANCIAL CONCERNS: HEALTH CONCERNS: FUNCTIONAL STATUS: ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS: ANTICIPATED SKILLED CARE: BEHAVIORAL/PYSCHOSOCIAL: BARRIERS TO LEARNING: RESOURCES AVAILABLE: ADVANCE DIRECTIVES: POTENTIAL PLACEMENT: ^ Link: Lawton IADL Scale ^ Link: Katz Index
no yes	no yes	Never Rarely Sometimes Often Always Resident declines to respond Resident unable to respond	Yes, med appts or medications Yes, non-medical No Resident unable to respond Resident declines to respond		

CNA Documentation Topics and Access Screens

- Each facility will be getting new topics for CNA documentation of section GG items (GG0130 & GG0170), as well as separate bathing topics, and a new ADL topic for section G if applicable.
- CNA Access screens will be updated to reflect changes to the documentation topics:
 - New buttons for Bathing, Self-Care, Mobility, Transfers, and ADLs(If applicable) will be added to the access screens.
 - Buttons for retired and legacy topics will be removed.
 - Note: For setups completed prior to 10/01/2023, the ADL buttons will remain, and the new Functional Ability buttons (Self-Care, Mobility, & Transfers) will be added to the screen so that ADLs can still be completed until 10/01/2023 when the regulation changing from ADLs to Functional Abilities goes into effect. The retired ADL buttons can be removed after 10/01/2023.
- New CNA topics have features to help with the transition from section G ADL charting to section GG Functional Ability charting:
 - Pictures representing Functional Abilities have been added. Clicking on these pictures provides a definition of that functional ability.
 - Definitions have been added beneath each option for rating the resident's performance.
- Additional features include:
 - A more streamlined approach to charting these items, which should decrease time spent documenting. There are fewer topics to go into, and most abilities can be documented with a single click.
 - The topics are designed to fit on most monitors with little to no scrolling.
 - Each topic has the capability to document things like mobility devices, dental appliances, and additional cares provided by the CNA.
 - Bathing and Tub Shower Transfer have a topic separate from the other Functional Abilities. This makes it easier for users to identify when a bath/shower has been assigned. The type of bath and any additional cares can also be documented here.
 - 3+ Assist (Maine Only) is built into the topics and will prompt users to document any 3+ assist occurrences when "Dependent or 2+ Assist) is documented for any functional ability.
- ADLs, section G Charting for CNAs (if applicable):

- ADLs have been combined into a single topic which is laid out in the same fashion as the functional ability topics for consistency.

Name(s) Topic(s) CNA / AM Mobility v4 / All								
AM MOBILITY	LATE ENTRY							SAVE/EXIT
	Independent	Setup	Supervision or Touching	Partial/Moderate	Substantial/Maximal	Dependent or 2+ Assist	Did Not Occur	MOBILITY DEVICE - 50'
	Independent	Setup	Supervision or Touching	Partial/Moderate	Substantial/Maximal	Dependent or 2+ Assist	Did Not Occur	MOBILITY DEVICE - 150'
	Independent	Setup	Supervision or Touching	Partial/Moderate	Substantial/Maximal	Dependent or 2+ Assist	Did Not Occur	
	Independent	Setup	Supervision or Touching	Partial/Moderate	Substantial/Maximal	Dependent or 2+ Assist	Did Not Occur	
	Independent	Setup	Supervision or Touching	Partial/Moderate	Substantial/Maximal	Dependent or 2+ Assist	Did Not Occur	RESIDENT DOES NOT WALK
Definitions	Independent	Setup	Supervision/Touch	Partial/Mod	Max Assist	Dependent	Did Not Occur	

New View Tasks/Reports

The following reports will be added with the 10.2.0.0 update. All reports will be available by choosing the green "Reports" button from the toolbar and then scrolling to the title of the report. All view tasks will be available by choosing the green "View" button from the toolbar, choosing residents, and then clicking "Tasks" from the menu at the top of the screen. If your facility uses Access Screens, links to the reports will be placed on access screens according to what it is listed beneath in the list below:

- MDS/RCC
 - View Task: Medication Review (High Risk Meds) - This view task will display physician orders for medications listed in N0415, High-Risk Drug Classes: Use and Indication. Orders can be edited from this task.
 - Report: Medication Review (High Risk Meds) - This report displays physician orders for medications listed in N0415, High-Risk Drug Classes: Use and Indication. This report can be run/printed for multiple residents at once.
 - GG Reports - The following reports display documentation from Functional Abilities and Goals topics. They each contain 3 columns. One for CNA documentation, one for nursing/therapy documentation, and one that applies a formula to determine the response which is used most throughout the CNA, nursing, and therapy documentation to assist with determining the resident's usual performance.
 - Functional Abilities (GG) - MOBILITY (v4)
 - Functional Abilities (GG) - SELF CARE (v4)
 - Functional Abilities (GG) - TRANSFERS (v4)

- Functional Abilities (GG) - BATHING (v4): This report allows users to highlight bathing performance and tub/shower transfers, however those items are also included in the self-care and transfer reports respectively.
- Pain Assessment - Printable reports for Verbal and Visual pain scales are now available in the pain assessment to show residents when conducting the pain interview. These are located beneath the 0-10 and verbal pain scales within the assessment.
- CNA - New incompleteness reports are being provided, which are linked to new Functional Ability and ADL (if applicable) topics.

MDS Changes

- MDS printed and electronic forms have been updated with all new items, verbiage changes, and skip patterns from CMS.
- The Collect feature has previously pulled information from charting based on the Assessment Reference Date. It will now also pull information based on the admission or Medicare start date for applicable items.
- Section GG (GG0130 & GG0170) will now pull from both the Nursing/Therapy assessment and CNA charting and highlight the response that is most commonly documented among these topics.
- RAI excerpts for each item are available from within the assessment by clicking the "?" in the upper right corner of the screen and then clicking the item number button. These excerpts have been updated to the latest version of the RAI manual.
- Clicking the item number button within an assessment displays the documentation from the lookback period for that item. The source for this documentation has been updated to include all new topics and words.
- Because of the significant number of changes which are effective on 10/01/2023, assessments which are opened with an ARD prior to 10/1/2023 cannot be changed to have an ARD after that date. Similarly, assessments with an ARD after 10/01/2023, cannot be changed to have an ARD prior to that date.
- The red text and green dots located throughout MDS assessments, signifying items included in quality measures and HIPPS/RUG calculations have been removed to prevent inaccuracies due to ongoing changes in regulations.
- Minor formatting changes to font and alignment have been made throughout the assessment forms.
- Buttons within section V have been updated to display the CAA number rather than being picklist (...) buttons.