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Minimum Data Set SDGs RUG-III revised effective October 1, 2013

This bulletin notifies Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP)-certified nursing facilities about the revised requirements for Minimum Data Set (MDS) supportive documentation. Supportive documentation for all MDS data elements is used to classify nursing facility residents in accordance with the Resource Utilization Group (RUG)-III resident classification system and must be routinely maintained in each resident's medical chart. The nursing facility must maintain this documentation for all residents.

The revised [Supportive Documentation Guidelines](#) (SDGs) apply to MDS assessments with an Assessment Reference Date (ARD) (A2300 date) on or after October 1, 2013. The SDGs, updated effective October 1, 2013, supersede any previously published SDGs. Revisions are based on MDS 3.0.

The updated SDGs (*Minimum Data Set Supportive Documentation Guidelines RUG-III*, Version 5.20, 34 Grouper) can be found on the [MDS 3.0](#) web page at indianamedicaid.com (Provider-Specific Information > Long Term Care > MDS 3.0). These guidelines help you identify and document all MDS data elements used to classify nursing facility residents in accordance with the RUG-III resident classification system.

If you have questions about the SDGs, the HP review process, or this bulletin, contact the HP Long Term Care Unit at (317) 488-5062.

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