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**To: All Indiana Health Coverage Programs Nursing Facility Providers**

**Subject: Supportive Documentation Guidelines Related to Resource Utilization Group (RUG)-III Version 5.01**

## Overview

The purpose of this bulletin is to remind Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP)-certified nursing facilities of the requirements for Minimum Data Set (MDS) supportive documentation. Please be advised that supportive documentation for all MDS data elements that are used to classify nursing facility residents in accordance with the Resource Utilization Group (RUG)-III resident classification system must be routinely maintained in each resident's medical chart. Such supportive documentation shall be maintained by the nursing facility for all residents.

Attached are revised supportive documentation guidelines that will assist providers in identifying and documenting all MDS data elements that are used to classify nursing facility residents in accordance with the RUG-III resident classification system.

*Note: Revisions have been **bolded** for convenience.*

If there are any questions about the information contained in this bulletin, please contact the Myers and Stauffer help desk at (317) 816-4122. For questions about the supportive documentation guidelines and the EDS review process, please contact the EDS Long Term Care Unit at (317) 488-5099.

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Table 1.1 – Special Rehabilitation

MDS 2.0 VERSION 5.01							
SPECIAL REHABILITATION							
MDS 2.0 Location		Field Description		Charting Guidelines		Possible Chart Location	
G1a,b,I Col. A,B and G1h,A <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-77, 3-78, 3-82)		Physical functioning and structural problems ADLs		Four ADLs must be addressed in the medical chart for purposes of validating the MDS responses. These ADLs include bed mobility, transfer, toileting, and eating. Consider the resident's self-performance and support provided during all shifts, as function may vary.		NN, SSN, SN, CP, NR	
K5a <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-130)		Parenteral/IV		Evidence of an IV or heparin lock, where IV fluids have been given continuously or intermittently, must be cited in the medical chart.		NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, hospital records	
K5b <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-130)		Feeding tube		Evidence must be documented of a feeding tube that can deliver food/nutritional substances, fluids, and medications directly into the gastrointestinal system.		NN, SN, DN, PO, PPN, CP	
P1b a,b,c Col. A,B (page 3-150)		Therapies		Days and minutes of each therapy must be cited in the medical chart on a daily basis to support the total days and minutes of direct therapy provided. (See page 16 for additional information)		TN, PO	
P3a-i <b>LOW INTENSITY ONLY</b> (page 3-155)		Nursing rehab/restorative		Days of restorative nursing must be cited in the medical chart on a daily basis. Minutes of service must be provided daily to support the total time that is then converted to days on the MDS.		NR, NN, SN, CP	
<b>Very High Intensity</b> 450 minutes or more of therapy per week and one type of therapy at least five days a week and two or more therapies delivered. <b>ADL Score RUG-III</b> <b>14-18 RVC</b> <b>8-13 RVB</b> <b>4-7 RVA</b>		<b>High Intensity</b> 300 minutes or more of therapy per week and one type of therapy at least five days a week delivered. <b>ADL Score RUG-III</b> <b>15-18 RHD</b> <b>12-14 RHC</b> <b>8-11 RHB</b> <b>4-7 RHA</b>		<b>Medium Intensity</b> 150 minutes or more of therapy per week and five days or more of one or a combination of therapy delivered. <b>ADL Score RUG-III</b> <b>16-18 RMC</b> <b>8-15 RMB</b> <b>4-7 RMA</b>		<b>Low Intensity</b> 45 minutes or more of therapy per week and three days or more of one or a combined therapy and two types or more of nursing restorative, five or more days per week. <b>ADL Score RUG-III</b> <b>12-18 RLB</b> <b>4-11 RLA</b>	

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Table 1.2 – Extensive Services

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EXTENSIVE SERVICES											
MDS 2.0 Location	Field Description	Charting Guidelines	Possible Chart Location								
G1a,b,I Col. A,B and G1h,A <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-77, 3-78, 3-82)	Physical functioning and structural problems ADLs	Four ADLs must be addressed in the medical chart for purposes of validating the MDS responses. These ADLs include bed mobility, transfer, toileting, and eating. Consider the resident's self-performance and support provided during all shifts, as function may vary.	NN, SSN, SN, CP, NR								
K5a* (page 3-130)	Parenteral/IV	Evidence of an IV or heparin lock, where IV fluids have been given continuously or intermittently, must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, hospital records								
K5b <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-130)	Feeding tube	Documented evidence of a feeding tube that can deliver food/nutritional substances, fluids, and medications directly into the gastrointestinal system.	NN, SN, DN, PO, PPN, CP								
P1a,i* (page 3-149)	Suctioning	Evidence of nasopharyngeal or tracheal suctioning must be cited in the medical chart. <b>Oral suctioning is not to be coded in this field.</b>	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, TN, hospital records								
P1a,j* (page 3-149)	Tracheostomy care	Evidence of tracheostomy and cannula cleansing administered by staff must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, TN, hospital records								
P1a,l (page 3-149)	Ventilator or respirator	Evidence of ventilator or respirator assistance must be cited in the medical chart. Charting should include any resident who was being weaned off the ventilator or respirator in the last 14 days. Neither CPAP nor BiPAP are considered ventilator devices, and are not considered for audit validation.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, TN, hospital records								
<p>*At least one of the above treatments must be coded and have an ADL score of 7 or more. If the ADL score is 6 or less, the record will classify in the clinically complex group.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>TREATMENTS</u></td> <td><u>RUG-III</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 or more</td> <td>SE3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>SE2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>SE1</td> </tr> </table>				<u>TREATMENTS</u>	<u>RUG-III</u>	3 or more	SE3	2	SE2	1	SE1
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Table 1.3 – Special Care

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SPECIAL CARE			
MDS 2.0 Location	Field Description	Charting Guidelines	Possible Chart Location
G1a,b,I Col. A,B and G1h,A <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-77, 3-78, 3-82)	Physical functioning and structural problems ADLs	Four ADLs must be addressed in the medical chart for purposes of validating the MDS responses. These ADLs include bed mobility, transfer, toileting, and eating. Consider the resident's self-performance and support provided during all shifts, as function may vary.	NN, SSN, SN, CP, NR
I1w* (page 3-115)	Multiple Sclerosis	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN, NR
I1z* (page 3-112)	Quadriplegia	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart. Paralysis of all four limbs must be cited in the medical record. Causes include cerebral hemorrhage, thrombosis, embolism, tumor, or spinal cord injury.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN, NR
I2g* (page 3-116)	Septicemia	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart and <b>may be coded when blood cultures have been drawn but "results" are not yet confirmed.</b> Septicemia is a morbid condition associated with bacterial growth in the blood. Urosepsis is not considered for audit validation.	PO, PPN, NN, LAB, SN
K5a <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-130)	Parenteral/IV	Evidence of an IV or heparin lock, where IV fluids have been given continuously or intermittently, must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, hospital records
K5b* (page 3-130)	Feeding tube	Evidence must be documented of a feeding tube that can deliver food/nutritional substances, fluids, and medications directly into the gastrointestinal system.	NN, SN, DN, PO, PPN, CP
M2a* (page 3-135)	Pressure ulcer (stage 3 or 4)	All pressure ulcers must be described and staged as they appear during the observation period on the MDS. This may require the stage to be increased or decreased from the previous MDS.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, TN, wound record
M4b* (page 3-137)	Burns	All second and third degree burns must be documented in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, TN, skin sheet
P1a,c* (page 3-149)	IV medications	Documentation must be present in the medical chart.	NN, MAR, PO, CP, hospital records
P1a,h* (page 3-149)	Radiation	This includes radiation therapy or a radiation implant. Documentation must be available in the chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, SSN, DN, CP, hospital records

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<b>MDS 2.0 Location</b>	<b>Field Description</b>	<b>Charting Guidelines</b>	<b>Possible Chart Location</b>
B1** (page 3-42)	Comatose	Document in the chart a diagnosis of coma or persistent vegetative state from a physician.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN
N1d** (page 3-141)	Time awake (none of above)	Evidence of time awake or nap frequency should be cited in the medical chart to validate the response.	NN, SN, PPN, CP, SSN, NR, CNAN
J1h** (page 3-120)	Fever	Record a temperature 2.4 degrees greater than the baseline. The route (rectal, oral, and so forth) must be consistent between the baseline and the elevated temperature.	NN, SN, Vital sign sheet
I2e** (page 3-116, 3-117)	Pneumonia	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart. Often there is a chest X-ray, medication order and notation of fever and symptoms.	PO, PPN, NN, SN, X-ray
J1c** (page 3-119)	Dehydration; output exceeds input	Supportive documentation includes intake/output records and thorough nurses' documentation describing the resident's symptoms and fluid loss that exceeds intake.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN, LAB
J1o** (page 3-121)	Vomiting	Evidence must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, SSN, PPN
K3a** (page 3-128)	Weight loss	Document evidence of the resident's weight loss as defined on the MDS.	NN, SN, DN, CP, SSN PPN, weight sheet
<b>**Special combination considerations:</b>			
When B1=coma, all ADL self-performance (G1a,b,h,i) are coded with a 4 or 8 and time awake (N1d-none of above) is checked.			
When J1h, fever is checked, one of the following must also be checked; I2e, pneumonia; J1c, dehydration; J1o, vomiting; K3a, weight loss.			
*At least one of the above conditions must be coded and have an ADL score of 7 or more. If the ADL score is 6 or less, the record will classify in the clinically complex group.			
<b><u>ADL Score</u></b>		<b><u>RUG-III</u></b>	
<b>17-18</b>		<b>SSC</b>	
<b>14-16</b>		<b>SSB</b>	
<b>7-13</b>		<b>SSA</b>	

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Table 1.4 – Clinically Complex

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CLINICALLY COMPLEX			
MDS 2.0 Location	Field Description	Charting Guidelines	Possible Chart Location
G1a,b,I Col. A,B and G1h,A <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-77, 3-78, 3-82)	Physical functioning and structural problems ADLs	Four ADLs must be addressed in the medical chart for purposes of validating the MDS responses. These ADLs include bed mobility, transfer, toileting, and eating. Consider the resident's self-performance and support provided during all shifts, as function may vary across shifts.	NN, SSN, SN, CP, NR
I1r* (page 3-111)	Aphasia	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart. Aphasia is difficulty in communicating orally, through sign, or in writing, or the inability to understand such communication. This difficulty must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SSN, SN, CP, PPN, PO
I1s* (page 3-111)	Cerebral Palsy	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart. Paralysis related to developmental brain defects or birth trauma.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN
I1v* (page 3-112)	Hemiplegia/ Hemiparesis	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart. Left or right-sided paralysis is acceptable as a diagnosis.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN, NR
I2e* (page 3-116)	Pneumonia	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart. Often there is a chest X-ray, medication order and notation of fever and symptoms.	PO, PPN, NN, SN, X-ray
I2j* (page 3-116)	Urinary Tract Infection	This includes chronic and acute symptomatic infection(s) in the last 30 days. <b>Check this item only if there is current supporting documentation and significant laboratory findings in the clinical record.</b>	PO, PPN, NN, LAB, SN
J1c* (page 3-119)	Dehydration; output exceeds input	Supportive documentation includes intake/output records and thorough nurses' documentation describing the resident's symptoms and fluid loss that exceeds intake.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN, LAB
J1j* (page 3-120)	Internal bleeding	Clinical evidence must be cited in the medical chart such as: black, tarry stools; "coffee grounds emesis;" hematuria; hemoptysis; or severe epistaxis.	NN, SN, PO, PPN
J1k* (page 3-120)	Recurrent lung aspirations	Clinical indicators required in the medical chart might include: productive cough, shortness of breath or wheezing.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, X-ray, TN

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J5c* (page 3-126)	End-stage disease	A physician terminal diagnosis of a deteriorating clinical course is required in the medical chart.	PO, PPN, NN, SN, CP, SSN, hospice notes
K5a* <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-130)	Parenteral/IV	Evidence of an IV or heparin lock, where IV fluids have been given continuously or intermittently, must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, hospital records
K5b <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-130)	Feeding tube	Evidence must be documented of a feeding tube that can deliver food/nutritional substances, fluids, and medications directly into the gastrointestinal system	NN, SN, DN, PO, PPN, CP
M2b* (page 3-135)	Stasis ulcer (stage 1, 2, 3, or 4)	All stasis ulcers must be described and staged as they appear during the observation period on the MDS. This may require the stage to be increased or decreased from the previous MDS.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, TN, wound record
P1a,a* (page 3-148)	Chemotherapy	This includes any type of chemotherapy (anticancer drug) given by any route. Evidence must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, SSN, MAR, hospital records
P1a,b* (page 3-149)	Dialysis	Peritoneal or renal dialysis that occurs at the nursing facility or at another facility are included. Evidence must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, SSN, hospital records
P1a,g* (page 3-149)	Oxygen therapy	Oxygen therapy shall be defined as the administration of oxygen, continuous or intermittent, via mask, cannula, or other route. Evidence must be cited on the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, SSN, TN, hospital records
P1a,k* (page 3-149)	Transfusions	Evidence of transfusions of blood or any blood products administered by staff must be cited in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, hospital records
P1b,d A* (page 3-151)	Respiratory therapy	Days and minutes of respiratory therapy must be cited in the medical chart on a daily basis to support the total days and minutes of direct therapy provided.	TN, PO
P8* (page 3-161)	Physician orders (4 or more)	These include written, telephone, fax, or consultation orders for new or altered treatment, but NOT admission orders, return admission orders, or renewal orders without changes.	PO, PPN

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M4c** (page 3-137)	Open lesions other than ulcers, rashes, cuts	All open lesions must be documented in the medical chart. Documentation includes appearance, measurement, treatment, color, odor, and other aspects of the lesion.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, TN, skin sheet
M4f** (page 3-138)	Skin tears or cuts	A skin tear or cut is any traumatic break in the skin penetrating to subcutaneous tissue. Include the appearance, measurement, treatment, color, odor and other aspects of the lesion.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, TN, skin sheet
M5i** (page 3-139)	Other preventative or protective skin care (other than to feet)	This includes application of creams or bath soaks to prevent dryness, and scaling; application of protective elbow pads, or other measures to describe preventive or protective care.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, TN, NR, skin sheet, treatment sheet
M6f** (page 3-140)	Applications of dressings (feet)	Dressing changes to the feet must be documented in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, TN, skin sheet, treatment sheet
M4g** (page 3-138)	Surgical wounds	These include healing and non-healing, open or closed surgical incisions, skin grafts, or surgical drain sites on any part of the body. Include appearance, measurement, treatment, color, odor, and other aspects of the site. Do not include healed surgical sites or stomas.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, TN, skin sheet
M5f** (page 3-139)	Surgical wound care	Include any intervention for treating or protecting any type of surgical wound. Evidence of wound care must be documented in the medical chart.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, CP, DN, TN, skin sheet
**Special combination considerations: M4c, open lesions must also include coding for M5i, other skin care or M6f, foot dressings. M4f, skin tears/cuts must also include coding for M5i, other skin care or M6f, foot dressings.			
*The resident must qualify for one of the above conditions. The resident who met criteria for Extensive Services or Special Care but whose ADL score was below 7, would be classified as Clinically Complex. Once classified in Clinically Complex, the resident is evaluated for Depression using the items in Table 1.5.			
E2 (page 3-60)	Mood persistence (1 or 2)	The medical chart must cite the results of attempts to alter the indicator(s) described in E1	NN, SSN, SN, NR, CP
E1a,g,j,n,o,p (page 3-58 to 3-60)	Indicators of depression, anxiety, sad mood (1 or 2)	Examples of verbal or non-verbal expressions of distress, that is, depression, anxiety, and sad mood, must be found in the medical chart. See MDS (E1) for specific details.	NN, SSN, SN, NR, CP

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<b>MDS 2.0 Location</b>	<b>Field Description</b>	<b>Charting Guidelines</b>	<b>Possible Chart Location</b>
E4e Col.A (page 3-62 to 3-65)	Behavioral symptoms (1, 2, or 3)	Acknowledgment and examples of the resident's behavior symptom patterns must be provided in the medical chart. The record must reflect daily behavioral symptoms manifested by the resident.	NN, SSN, SN, NR, CP
N1d (page 3-141)	Time awake (None of Above)	Evidence of time awake or nap frequency should be cited in the medical chart to validate the answer.	NN, SN, PPN, CP, SSN, NR, CNAN
N1a,b,c (page 3-141)	Time awake (total checked equal 0 or 1)	Evidence of time awake or nap frequency should be cited in the medical chart to validate the answer.	NN, SN, PPN, CP, SSN, NR, CNAN
B1 (page 3-42)	Comatose (equal 0)	Must have a documented neurological diagnosis of coma or persistent vegetative state from a physician.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN
K3a (page 3-128)	Weight loss	Document evidence in the medical chart of the resident's weight loss as defined on the MDS.	NN, SN, DN, CP, SSN, PPN, Weight sheet
I1ee (page 3-114 to 3-115)	Depression	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN, SSN
I1ff (page 3-312)	Manic depression (bipolar disease)	An active physician diagnosis must be present in the medical chart.	PO, PPN, NN, CP, SN, SSN

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<b>DEPRESSION EVALUATION</b>		
The resident is considered depressed by meeting either a combination of group <b>A</b> or group <b>B</b> of the following criteria:		
<b>GROUP A</b>		
E2 Persistent sad mood (1 or 2) and two other symptoms (only one symptom can be counted from groups 2 and 3):		
1. E1a – Negative statements (1 or 2)		(page 3-58)
2. E1n – Repetitive movements (1 or 2)		(page 3-59)
E1o – Withdrawal (1 or 2)		(page 3-59)
E1p – Reduced interaction (1 or 2)		(page 3-59)
E4eA – Resists care ( 1,2, or 3)		(page 3-63)
3. E1j – Unpleasant AM mood ( 1 or 2)		(page 3-59)
N1d – Time awake (checked)		(page 3-141)
N1a,b,c – Awake only morning, afternoon, or evening (total checked = 0 or 1) and B1=0		(page 3-141)
4. E1g – Terrible future ( 1 or 2)		(page 3-59)
5. K3a – Weight loss		(page 3-128)
<b>“OR”</b>		
<b>GROUP B</b>		
(I1ee) Depression and one symptom from the items above <b>or</b> (I1ff) Bipolar disease and <b>one</b> symptom from the items above. (page 3-112)		
<b><u>ADL Score</u></b>	<b><u>Depressed</u></b>	<b><u>RUG-III</u></b>
17-18	YES	CD2
17-18	NO	CD1
11-16	YES	CC2
11-16	NO	CC1
6-10	YES	CB2
6-10	NO	CB1
4-5	YES	CA2
4-5	NO	CA1

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Table 1.5 – Impaired Cognition

<b>MDS 2.0 VERSION 5.01</b>			
<b>IMPAIRED COGNITION</b>			
<b>MDS 2.0 Location</b>	<b>Field Description</b>	<b>Charting Guidelines</b>	<b>Possible Chart Location</b>
G1a,b,I Col. A,B and G1h,A <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-77, 3-78, 3-82)	Physical functioning and structural problems ADLs	Four ADLs must be addressed in the medical chart for purposes of validating the MDS responses. These ADLs include bed mobility, transfer, toileting, and eating. Consider the resident's self-performance and support provided during all shifts, as function may vary.	NN, SSN, SN, CP, NR
B2a* (page 3-42)	Short term memory	Short-term memory loss must be supported in the medical chart, with specific examples of the loss, such as, inability to describe breakfast meal or an activity just completed. If there is no positive indication of memory ability, documentation must be cited in the medical record.	NN, SSN, SN, NR, CP
B3a-d* (page 3-43)	Memory/recall ability	Examples of the resident's memory or recall performance within the environment or circumstances must be found in the medical chart. (For example, ask the resident "what is the current season," "what is the name of this place" or "what kind of place this is.")	NN, SSN, SN, NR, CP
B4* (page 3-44)	Cognitive skills for daily decision making	Citations or examples must be found in the medical chart of the resident's ability to actively make decisions, not whether the staff believe the resident might be capable of doing so.	NN, SSN, SN, NR, CP
H3a <b>NURSING RESTORE SCORE ONLY</b> (page 3-108)	Any scheduled toileting plan	Evidence in the medical chart must support a plan whereby staff members, at scheduled times each day, either take the resident to the toilet; give the resident a urinal; or remind the resident to go to the toilet.	NN, NR, SN, CP, CNAN
P3a-i <b>NURSING RESTORE SCORE ONLY</b> (page 3-155)	Nursing rehab/restorative	Days of restorative nursing must be cited in the medical chart on a daily basis. Minutes of service must be provided daily to support the program and total time that is converted to days on the MDS.	NR, NN, SN, CP

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Nursing restorative care (P3) counts as a score of 1 for each item (P3 a,b,c,e,g,h,i) with an entry of five or more days of activity. P3d and/or P3f may be counted as a score of 1, but both may not be counted. Additionally, if any toileting plan (H3a) is checked, add a score of 1 to the nursing restorative score.		
<b>Total ADL score must be 10 or less.</b>		
The following criteria combination must be met:		
*B2a Short term memory = 1 and B3a-d Memory/Recall (any <b>not</b> checked) and B4 Decision making (1, 2, or 3)		
<b><u>ADL Score</u></b>	<b><u>Nursing Restorative Score</u></b>	<b><u>RUG-III</u></b>
<b>6-10</b>	<b>2 or more</b>	<b>IB2</b>
<b>6-10</b>	<b>0 or 1</b>	<b>IB1</b>
<b>4-5</b>	<b>2 or more</b>	<b>IA2</b>
<b>4-5</b>	<b>0 or 1</b>	<b>IA1</b>

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Table 1.6 – Behavior Problems

<b>MDS 2.0 VERSION 5.01</b>			
<b>BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS</b>			
<b>MDS 2.0 Location</b>	<b>Field Description</b>	<b>Charting Guidelines</b>	<b>Possible Chart Location</b>
G1a,b,I Col. A,B and G1h,A <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-77, 3-78, 3-82)	Physical functioning and structural problems ADLs	Four ADLs must be addressed in the medical chart for purposes of validating the MDS responses. These ADLs include bed mobility, transfer, toileting, and eating. Consider the resident's self-performance and support provided during all shifts, as function may vary.	NN, SSN, SN, CP, NR
E4a,b,c,d* Col.A (page 3-62 to 3-65)	Behavioral symptoms	Acknowledgment and examples of the resident's behavior symptom patterns must be provided in the medical chart. The record must reflect daily behavioral symptoms manifested by the resident.	NN, SSN, SN, NR, CP
H3a <b>NURSING RESTORE SCORE ONLY</b> (page 3-108)	Any scheduled toileting plan	Evidence in the medical chart must support a plan whereby staff members, at scheduled times each day, take the resident to the toilet; give the resident a urinal; or remind the resident to go to the toilet.	NN, NR, SN, CP, CNAN
J1e* (page 3-120)	Delusions	Evidence in the medical chart must describe examples of the resident's fixed, false beliefs, not shared by others, even when there is obvious proof or evidence to the contrary.	PO, PPN, NN, SN, CP, SSN
J1i* (page 3-120)	Hallucinations	Evidence in the medical chart must describe examples of the resident's auditory, visual, tactile, olfactory, or gustatory false perceptions that occur in the absence of any real stimulus.	NN, SN, PO, PPN, SSN, CP
P3a-i <b>NURSING RESTORE ONLY SCORE</b> (page 3-155)	Nursing rehab/restorative	Days of restorative nursing must be cited in the medical chart on a daily basis. Minutes of service must be provided daily to support the program. The total time is then converted to days on the MDS.	NR, NN, SN, CP

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<b>MDS 2.0 VERSION 5.01</b>		
<b>BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS</b>		
Nursing Restorative care (P3) counts as a score of 1 for each item (P3 a,b,c,e,g,h,i) with an entry of five or more days of activity. P3d and/or P3f may be counted as a score of 1, but both may not be counted. Additionally, if any toileting plan (H3a) is checked, add a score of 1 to the Nursing Restorative Score.		
<b>Total ADL score must be 10 or less.</b>		
*One of the above must be coded.		
<b><u>ADL Score</u></b>	<b><u>Nursing Restorative Score</u></b>	<b><u>RUG-III</u></b>
<b>6-10</b>	<b>2 or more</b>	<b>BB2</b>
<b>6-10</b>	<b>0 or 1</b>	<b>BB1</b>
<b>4-5</b>	<b>2 or more</b>	<b>BA2</b>
<b>4-5</b>	<b>0 or 1</b>	<b>BA1</b>

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Table 1.7 – Reduced Physical Function

<b>MDS 2.0 VERSION 5.01</b>			
<b>REDUCED PHYSICAL FUNCTION</b>			
<b>MDS 2.0 Location</b>	<b>Field Description</b>	<b>Charting Guidelines</b>	<b>Possible Chart Location</b>
G1a,b,I Col. A,B and G1h,A <b>ADL ONLY</b> (page 3-77, 3-78, 3-82)	Physical functioning and structural problems ADLs	Four ADLs must be addressed in the medical chart for purposes of validating the MDS responses. These ADLs include bed mobility, transfer, toileting, and eating. Consider the resident's self-performance and support provided during all shifts, as function may vary.	NN, SSN, SN, CP, NR
H3a <b>NURSING RESTORE ONLY SCORE</b> (page 3-108)	Any scheduled toileting plan	Evidence in the medical chart must support a plan whereby staff members, at scheduled times each day, either take the resident to the toilet; give the resident a urinal; or remind the resident to go to the toilet.	NN, NR, SN, CP, CNAN
P3a-i <b>NURSING RESTORE ONLY SCORE</b> (page 3-155)	Nursing rehab/restorative	Days of restorative nursing must be cited in the medical chart on a daily basis. Minutes of service must be provided daily to support the program and total time. This is converted to days on the MDS.	NR, NN, SN, CP
Nursing Restorative care (P3) counts as a score of 1 for each item (P3 a,b,c,e,g,h,i) with an entry of five or more days of activity. P3d and/or P3f may be counted as a score of 1, but do not count both. Additionally, if any toileting plan (H3a) is checked, add a score of 1 to the Nursing Restorative Score.			
<b><u>ADL Score</u></b>	<b><u>Nursing Restorative Score</u></b>	<b><u>RUG-III</u></b>	
16-18	2 or more	PE2	
16-18	0 or 1	PE1	
11-15	2 or more	PD2	
11-15	0 or 1	PD1	
9-10	2 or more	PC2	
9-10	0 or 1	PC1	
6-8	2 or more	PB2	
6-8	0 or 1	PB1	
4-5	2 or more	PA2	
4-5	0 or 1	PA1	

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Table 1.8 – Key for possible chart locations in the medical record

Abbreviation	Definition	Abbreviation	Definition
CP	Care plan	SN	Summary notes (nurse)
CNAN	Certified nursing assistant notes	PPN	Physician progress notes
DN	Dietary notes	SSN	Social service notes
MAR	Medicine administration record	PO	Physician's orders
LAB	Laboratory	NR	Nursing restorative
NN	Nurses notes	TN	Therapy notes

### Special Notes About Documentation

- The history and physical (H&P) may also be an excellent source of supportive documentation for any of the RUG-III elements.
- Any response(s) on the MDS 2.0 that reflect(s) the resident's hospital stay prior to admission to the nursing facility must be supported by hospital documentation and placed in the resident's medical chart.
- Supportive documentation in the medical chart must be dated during the assessment reference period to validate the MDS 2.0 responses. The assessment reference period is established by identifying the assessment reference date (A3a) and the previous six days. (Note that on certain MDS questions the reference period may be greater than or less than seven days).
- Responses on the MDS 2.0 must be from observations taken by all shifts during the specified assessment reference period.
- Old, unrelated diagnoses or diagnoses that do not meet the definition on the MDS 2.0 for Section II should not be coded on the MDS.
- Facilities must complete a new assessment after the cessation of all therapies when the preceding assessment is in the rehabilitation category (Rule 405 IAC 1-15-6).
- Rehabilitation/restorative care includes nursing intervention that assists or promotes the resident's ability to attain his or her maximum functional potential. It does not include procedures under the direction and delivery of qualified, licensed therapists.
- Beginning October 1, 1999, ADL documentation must represent all shifts during the assessment period.
- **Information contained in the clinical record must be consistent and cannot be in conflict with the MDS.**
- **Group therapy is limited to four residents per session and only 25 percent of the total therapy minutes may be contributed to group therapy.**

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