

RAI UPDATE – MAY 2011

Long Term Care Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) User's Manual for MDS Version 3.0

CMS has issued revisions to the MDS 3.0 RAI Manual V1.05 (June 2, 2011). These revisions contain grammatical and wording changes. Changes are identified in Change Tables for each chapter or appendix affected. This update includes a paper copy of the Change Table documents and a CD that includes all changes that are broken down by chapter and appendix.

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- If the change is from a parenthesis to a bracket, determine if you really need to print.
- Each chapter contains the complete chapter so use caution printing the entire chapter or document.
- Keep this update with your current RAI manual as updates may occur throughout the year with minimal warning.

Files containing revisions in this release include:

- **Title Page**
- **Table of Contents**
- **Chapter 1** – New Privacy Act Statement
- **Chapter 2** – Overview of MDS 3.0 Assessments
- **Chapter 3** – (Overview of Item-by-Item Guide to MDS 3.0)
 - Section A – Coding Instructions for Federal and State Assessment
 - Section B – Grammatical and Wording Changes
 - Section D – Review Steps for Assessment and Coding Instructions
 - Section F – Grammatical and Wording Changes
 - Section G – Clarification to Coding Instructions
 - Section I – Clarification to Alzheimer's Disease
 - Section J – Includes Definitions for Terminally Ill
 - Section K – Replaced Definition of Therapeutic Diet
 - Section M – Definitions of Admission
 - Section N – Grammatical and Wording Changes
 - Section O – Updated Code Treatments
 - Section Q – Updated Coding Tips and Steps for Assessment
- **Chapter 5** – (Submissions and Corrections of the MDS 3.0) with Clarification Regarding Coding
- **Chapter 6** – Information Regarding Medicare Adjustments
- **Appendices** (A, B, C, E, and H).



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