

RAI UPDATE – OCTOBER 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 (August 31, 2011). These revisions go into effect October 1, 2011. These updates contain changes in definitions from July, 2011; September 20, 2011; and changes that reflect the Medicare changes being implemented October 1, 2011. 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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Files containing revisions in this release include:

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Chapter 1 – RUG's IV; Medicare Benefit Policy & Assessment changes

Chapter 2 – ARD's; Assessment timing; Leave of Absence; Tracking records; Discharge assessments; Assessment management; Assessment window; Unscheduled Medicare Assessments; PPS scheduled assessments; Change of therapy assessment

Chapter 3 – (Overview of Item-by-Item Guide to MDS 3.0)

- Section A – July 2011 definition of worsening is included in text but not in change table
- Section C – Steps for Assessment
- Section I – Active Diagnosis
- Section K – Replaced definition of Prescribed weight loss; coding instructions
- Section M – Nutrition and hydration interventions; July 2011 definition of worsening is included in text but not in change table
- Section N – Coding instructions;
- Section O – Group therapy definition; therapy minute calculations; Co-treatment part A and part B; Modes of therapy; Concurrent therapy; Group therapy; Resumption of therapy;

Chapter 4 – Care planning clarifications and directions; Clinical problem-solving steps and objectives

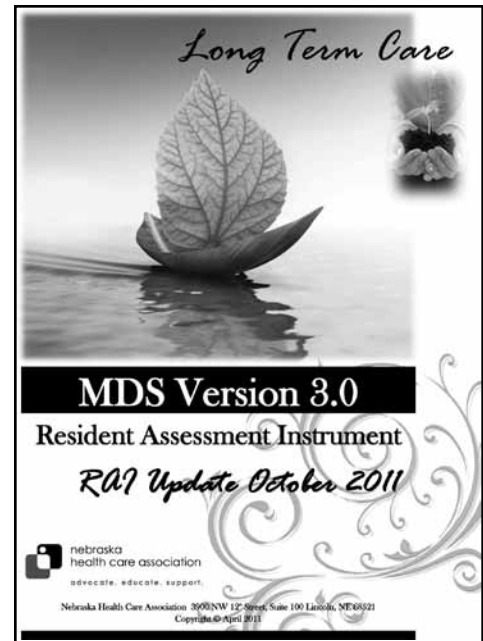
Chapter 6 – RUG-IV group; coding clarification; Special requirements with multiple assessments; Change in therapy; End of therapy; Assessment Indicator Second Digit Table; Physician Certification; Therapy minutes;

Appendices

- A- Definition Changes
- B- Contact Information
- C- Grammatical Changes
- E- Computation Change

Appendix H- All forms have been updated – September 29 for October 1 Update

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