



PHYSICIAN COMMUNICATION OF CHANGE IN RESIDENT FUNCTION

Resident Name: _____ Room Number: _____ DOB: _____

Physician Name: _____ Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Eating/Self Feeding

- _____ Food falls out of mouth
- _____ Cannot or will not chew
- _____ Unable to cut food
- _____ Cannot lift utensils
- _____ Poor lip closure/drooling
- _____ Heartburn
- _____ Difficulty feeding self
- _____ Food coming out of nose
- _____ Unable to open containers
- _____ Vomiting at or after meals
- _____ Pockets of food in cheeks
- _____ Coughing at/after meals
- _____ Difficulty swallowing medication

Transfers

- _____ Difficulty transferring
- _____ Loss of balance
- _____ Unable to move self in bed
- _____ Unable to get in/out of bed
- _____ Unable to get on/off toilet

Ambulation

- _____ Increased assistance with walking
- _____ Balance loss when walking
- _____ Shuffled gait
- _____ Difficulty propelling wheelchair

Cognitive

- _____ Difficulty following cues
- _____ Poor problem-solving skills
- _____ Difficulty remembering
- _____ Difficulty sequencing tasks
- _____ Unable to communicate needs

Grooming / Hygiene

- _____ Difficulty bathing self
- _____ Unable to clean self after toileting
- _____ Difficulty dressing
- _____ Difficulty combing hair or brushing teeth
- _____ Difficulty in washing face

Posture

- _____ Poor neck trunk control
- _____ Unable to sit upright in wheelchair
- _____ Difficulty looking to side
- _____ Bends over while walking

Safety

- _____ Frequent falls
- _____ Balance loss sitting/standing
- _____ Decreased vision
- _____ Poor safety awareness
- _____ Poor technique with walker, cane, or wheelchair

Physical Function

- _____ Decreased coordination
- _____ Decreased functional activity tolerance
- _____ Decreased leg ROM
- _____ Decreased leg strength
- _____ Decreased arm ROM
- _____ Decreased arm strength
- _____ Significant weight loss
- _____ Lower body contractures
- _____ Hand/arm contractures
- _____ Shakes or tremors

Physiological Changes

- _____ Swelling in _____
- _____ Pain in _____
- _____ Skin breakdown in _____

Other Observations

PT Evaluation & Treatment OT Evaluation & Treatment ST Evaluation & Treatment

We have assessed this resident to have experience a change in the above listed functional areas. To prevent further decline, may we please have order for out-patient therapy to evaluate? _____ YES _____ NO

Physician Signature: _____ NPI: _____ Date: _____