

# Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Training Archive

May 08, 2020

## **Delayed: Release of Updated Versions of IRF and LTCH Assessment Instruments (and Supporting Training)**

CMS is delaying the release of updated versions of the item sets needed to support the Transfer of Health (TOH) Information Quality Measures and new or revised Standardized Patient Assessment Data Elements (SPADEs) in order to provide maximum flexibilities for providers of Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs) and Long-Term Care Hospitals (LTCHs) to respond to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE).

The release of updated versions of the IRF Patient Assessment Instrument (IRF-PAI) and the LTCH Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation Data Set (LTCH CARE Data Set) will be delayed until October 1<sup>st</sup> of the year that is at least 1 full fiscal year after the end of the COVID-19 PHE. For example, if the COVID-19 PHE ends on September, 20, 2020, LTCHs and IRFs will be required to begin collecting data using the updated versions of the item sets beginning with patients discharged on October 1, 2021.

Following the PHE, CMS will announce training opportunities for providers via this webpage and announcements sent out via email distribution lists and posted on the Medicare Learning Network.

If you would like to be notified of future training events, please email the [PAC Training mailbox](#).

October 17, 2019

## **Video Tutorial Available to Assist with Proper Coding of GG0130A. Eating**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released a short video tutorial to assist providers with coding GG0130A. Eating. This 6-minute video is designed to provide targeted guidance using simulated patient scenarios. To access the video, click on the link below:

- Coding GG0130A. Eating (6:19) <https://youtu.be/ihu6PIbAzYY>

June 26, 2019

## **NEW TRAINING EVENT — Updated Section GG Web-based Training Course**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is offering a web-based training course on how to properly code of Section GG. This 45-minute course is intended for providers in the following care settings: Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs), Long-Term Care Hospitals (LTCHs), Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs), and Home Health Agencies (HHAs); and is designed to be used on demand anywhere you can access a browser. The course is divided into the following four lessons and includes interactive exercises that allow you to test your knowledge in real life scenarios:

- Lesson 1: Importance of Section GG for Post-Acute Care
- Lesson 2: Section GG Assessment and Coding Principles

- Lesson 3: Coding GG0130.Self-Care Items
- Lesson 4: Coding GG0170.Mobility Items

[Click here to access the training.](#)

If you have technical questions or feedback regarding the training, please email the [PAC Training mailbox](#). Content-related questions should be submitted to the Quality Reporting Program Help Desk for your care setting.

**June 07, 2019**

### **Video Tutorials Available to Assist with Coding Specific Section GG Items**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is releasing a series of short videos to assist providers with coding select Section GG items on the OASIS, IRF-PAI, LTCH CARE Data Set, and the MDS. These videos, ranging from 4-12 minutes, are designed to provide targeted guidance using simulated patient scenarios. To access the videos, click on the links below:

- [Coding GG0110. Prior Device Use with Information From Multiple Sources \(3:58\)](#) (YouTube)
- [Decision Tree for Coding Section GG0130. Self-Care and GG0170. Mobility \(11:56\)](#) (YouTube)
- [Coding GG0130B. Oral Hygiene \(4:25\)](#) (YouTube)
- [Coding GG0170C. Lying to Sitting on side of bed \(4:33\)](#) (YouTube)

**January 25, 2019**

### **Section GG Decision Tree Training Document Now Available**

A decision tree training document is available in the Downloads section below to help with coding Section GG self-care and mobility data elements is now available. This document provides an overview of the 6 codes and coding instructions for admission/discharge.