

## HELP LETTER REVIEW CHECK LIST

Period Skilled Nursing Chart Review: From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Medicare Admission Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_

### MDS Reference Dates Review

	5 day	14 day	30 day	60 day	90 day	SOT/EOT OMRA
ARD						
Billing Dates						
RUG/HIPPS						

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ARD						
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RUG/HIPPS						

### ICD-10 Codes

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### MDS Forms Completed Since Admission

- MDSs that cover days billed
- ARDs set in acceptable time frames
- Signed by all disciplines
- Interviews are signed on day interview completed
- Signed by RN Coordinator
- Documentation to support Rehabilitation RUG in Section O
- Documentation to support coding IVs in Section K & O (from hospital if applicable)
- Documentation to support ADL coding in Section G
- RUG rate matches billed rate on UB-04
- Z0500B within 14 days of ARD
- OMRA's completed when necessary and within appropriate time frames
- Interviews completed, not dash-filled
- Documentation present to support diagnoses coded in Section I
- Documentation present to support Shortness of Breath in Section J

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### Physician Certification

- Signed on admit
- Recertification signed by day 14 and every 30 days after for entire billing period
- Details regarding skilled Nursing services present
- Details regarding skilled Therapy services present

### Physician Orders for Review Period

- Monthly orders signed by physician
- Interim orders signed by physician
- Telephone orders signed by physician
- Therapy evaluation orders present and signed
- Therapy clarification orders present and signed
- Therapy recertifications present and signed

### Acute Discharge Summary/ Acute and Facility History and Physical

- Three day qualifying stay verified
- Discharge Summary
- Hospital and Facility H&P

### Physician Progress Notes

- Admission note
- MD progress note at least every 30 days

### Nursing Notes

- Admission note
- Daily skilled Nursing notes present for entire period under review
- Daily skilled Nursing notes present for MDS look-back periods
- Daily notes 30 days prior to ARD date of any MDS billed
- Documentation to support daily skills listed on MD Certification
- Weekly Medicare meeting summaries
- Documentation to support staff coding of PHQ-9-OV

### Medication/ Treatment Records

- MARs present for MDS look-back periods
- TARs present for MDS look-back periods
- Minutes on Respiratory Therapy and or nursing treatment sheets match each MDS in billing period
- Wound flowsheets completed in full and present for each MDS in billing period

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### Parenteral/ Enteral Intake Records to Support Amount Received

- Dietician notes for G/J Tube
- Treatment or Medication Records
- Input and Output if applicable

### ADL Flowsheets

- Flowsheets present for all MDS look-back periods
- All dates have been filled in
- All signatures present
- Corrections included

### Rehabilitation - For Review Period and 7 days prior to ARD of any MDS billed.

- Evaluation signed timely by physician (always include initial evaluation with all review periods) for each discipline provided in ARD and Review period
- Updated Monthly Progress Note for each discipline provided in ARD and Review period
- Weekly Progress Notes present and support ongoing skilled services (present for entire period in Review)
- Billing logs for entire period in review
- Billing logs for ARD look-back periods
- Minutes and days on therapy logs match Section O
- Daily documentation supports minutes on billing logs
- Daily Notes for each discipline provided in ARD and Review period
- Daily Notes support clinically justification for co-treatment
- Co-treatment minutes supported by both disciplines
- Co-treatment minutes on billing logs, Daily Notes, and Section all match
- Any additional documentation to support functional progress (standardized testing, etc.)

### Restorative Nursing Documentation

- Plan of care
- Daily log
- Progress notes at least every 30 days
- Physician orders

### Diagnostic Reports (labs, x-ray)

- Include for review period

### Trach and Vent Documentation

- Documentation to support trach care



Other documents to support skilled level of care (review billed RUG and include only if needed to support skill/RUG billed).

- BEHAVIOR: Behavior sheets, Social Service Notes and Psych Documentation
- Reduce Physical Functioning: Dietary, possibly detailed care plan to support aggregate of services
- Nursing teaching sheets to family and patient
- Consult reports

Denial Notification if remained in facility and Medicare discontinued at end of review period

- Signed by patient or guardian
- Check to have Medicare review or decline review

**Signature Log**

- Signature Log included for all staff members

The following items must be added to this record prior to submitting:

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Comments/Risk Areas:

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