

Initial Health Assessment

Instructions: Inquire about each area as appropriate, and enter response or indicate if not applicable in the comments. It is necessary to record a response to each area of the assessment.

Participant Name: _____ MSSP # _____
Assessment Date: _____ Staff Code: _____
Staff Signature/Title: _____

Diagnosis/Medical History

What are the participant’s diagnoses?

What is the participant’s medical history?

What is the participant’s rating of own health? Poor Fair Good Excellent

Has the participant been in a hospital, SNF, or ER in past year? Yes No
If yes, provide approximate date(s) and reason(s)?

Medications

Pharmacy used: _____

- Allergies to Medications Forgets Medications Problem with Cost
- Medications prescribed are covered by Medicare
- Has prescription medications in stock which are no longer prescribed and/or expired
- Primary physician knows about all of the participant’s medications

Does the participant have help with medications? Yes No
If yes, who helps? What kind of help?

Is more help with medications needed? Yes No
If yes, describe

Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Nutritional Assessment

Include in your assessment:

- Usual eating
- Diet patterns
- Preparation of meals
- Shopping
- Finances
- Allergies

Weight loss or gain in past year:

Special diet/restricted foods:

Participant follows diet:

Participant's appetite (subjective): Good Fair Poor

Meals per day: 1 2 3

Assessment of participant's diet quality? (objective):

Nutritional Supplements?

Approximate amount/type of fluid intake:

Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Health Habits

Describe usual use patterns and significant changes:

Tobacco

Caffeine

Alcohol

History of alcohol/drug abuse

Sleep Pattern

Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Review of Systems

Instructions: Check each condition identified by participant or observed during the assessment. Inquire about each area as appropriate and enter response or indicate if not a problem by stating “none” or “N/A”. It is necessary to record a response to each condition. Comments should include changes, impact of condition on function, and whether a medical care provider is overseeing the participant’s care. For example, if the participant is seeing a cardiologist, this should be listed in the comment box in the cardiovascular section.

Eyes: Glasses or Contact lens Trouble with vision Change in vision in last year
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Ears: Trouble with hearing Wears a hearing aid
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Mouth: Problems with teeth/gums Dentures Problems with Dentures
 Dentures fit well
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Respiratory/Pulmonary: Short of Breath Uses Oxygen Coughs Frequently
 DX of Tuberculosis Uses Inhaler
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Cardiovascular: Pain, Tightness, or pressure in chest, neck, or arms
 Swelling of Feet or ankles Prop pillows at night for shortness of breath
 Fainting/Blackouts Rapid, irregular, or skipped heartbeats High Blood Pressure
 Cramps in leg muscles When walking When not walking
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Breasts: History of Breast Cancer Lumps Mammogram _____ Approx. Date
 Performs Breast Self-Exam
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Gastrointestinal: Trouble swallowing Indigestion/heartburn Nausea/vomiting
 Constipation Change in bowel habits Loose stools or diarrhea
 Blood from rectum Bowel incontinence Black or tarry stools
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Genitourinary: HX bladder disease Catheter Incontinence
 Frequency at night Urgency Trouble starting/stopping urine
 Pain/burning with urination Chronic UTIs
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Vaginal Problems: Bleeding Discharge Odor Bulging Itching
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Testicular/Prostate:
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Musculoskeletal Back pain Falls Osteoporosis Joint pain or stiffness
 Engages in physical activities Changes in activity level Foot problems
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Mobility: Fully ambulatory Ambulatory with assistance Cane/Walker
 Prosthesis/appliance Occasional Wheelchair use Bed Bound

Gait (if observed):

Ataxia Unsteady Poor Balance Shuffling Wide Based

Describer need for foot care:

If bed bound describe ROM:

Joint deformity description:

Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Neurological: CVA Numbness in arm, leg or face Paralysis Headaches
 Trouble finding words/slurred speech Dizziness Tremors
 Weakness Seizures
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Psychiatric : Confused Wanders Feelings of Depression
 Psychiatric HX Changes in Memory
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Endocrine: Diabetes Insulin Dependent Controlled Diet
 Oral Hypoglycemics Thyroid Problems
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Skin: Rash/Redness Dry Skin Itching Growths
 Changes in wart or mole Wounds/lesions
 Sores that will not heal/pressure injuries
Skin characteristics:
 Warm Cool Dry Moist Color
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Vital Signs: Temperature (optional) _____ Pulse _____
Respiration _____ BP (indicate position) _____
Weight (history or taken) _____ Height (by history) _____
Pain Level (optional) _____
 No Pain Mild Moderate Severe Very Severe Worst Pain Possible
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

Who provided assessment information: Participant Caregiver Family Other
Comments (Subjective/Objective)

How reliable is provided information?

Was this assessment conducted in the participant’s home? Yes No
(if no, where?)

Participant Needs List:

X _____
Staff Signature Date Print Name/Title