

Resident Assessment Criteria					
Description	Independent	Assisted	Nursing Home		
Mobility	Capable of moving about independently. Able to seek and follow directions. Able to evacuate independently in an emergency. Ambulatory with cane/walker. Independent with a wheelchair but needs help in an emergency.	Ambulatory with minimal or no assistance. Requires occasional assistance to move about, but usually independent.	May require assistance with transfers from bed, chair, toilet. Requires transfer and transport assistance. May require positioning and turning in bed and wheelchair.		
Nutrition	Able to prepare own meals. Eats meals without assistance. Minimum of at least one meal a day available. Able to plan, purchase, and prepare own meals.	May require assistance getting to dining room and/or requires minimal assistance such as opening cartons or other packages, cutting food or preparing trays.	May be unable or unwilling to go to dining room. May be dependent on staff for eating/feeding needs. May be totally dependent on staff for nourishment, including reminders to eat and/or requires feeding.		
Personal Care	Independent in all care including bathing and personal laundry.	May require assistance with bathing or hygiene. May require assistance, initiation, structure or reminders. Resident may complete the task.	May be dependent on staff for all personal hygiene.		
Housekeeping	Independent in performing housekeeping functions (includes making bed, vacuuming, cleaning and laundry), or, may need assistance with heavy housekeeping, vacuuming, laundry and changing linens.	Housekeeping and laundry services provided.	Housekeeping and laundry services provided.		
Toileting	Independent and completely continent, or, may have incontinence, colostomy or catheter, but independent in caring for self through proper use of materials/supplies.	Same as independent living. May have occasional problems with incontinence, colostomy or catheter. May require assistance in caring for self through proper use of materials/supplies.	May have problems with incontinence, colostomy, catheter, and require assistance. May be dependent and unable to communicate needs.		



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Medications	Responsible for self-administration of all medications.	Able to self-administer medications. Facility staff may remind and monitor actual process. May arrange for family or home health agency to establish a medication administration system. Facilities, staffed by RNs and LPNs, can administer medications to residents.	Medications administered by licensed personnel.
Mental Status	Oriented to person, place, time. Memory is intact, but may have occasional forgetfulness without a consistent pattern of memory loss. Able to reason, plan and organize daily events. Mental capability to identify environmental needs and meet them. Able to manage finances.	May require occasional direction or guidance in getting from place to place. Orientation to time, place or person may be minimally impaired. May need assistance to manage finances and planning/organizing daily events.	Judgment is likely to be poor. Resident may not attempt tasks that are not within capabilities. May require strong orientation and reminder program. May need guidance in getting from place to place. Disorientation to time, place and person, or memory, is severely impaired. Usually unable to follow directions.
Behavior Status	Deals appropriately with emotions and uses available resources to cope with inner stress. Deals appropriately with other residents and staff.	May require periodic intervention from staff to facilitate expression of feelings in order to cope with inner stress. May require periodic intervention from staff to resolve conflicts with others in order to cope with situational stress.	May require regular intervention from staff to facilitate expression of feelings and deal with periodic outbursts of anxiety or agitation. Maximum staff intervention is required to manage behavior. Resident may be a physical danger to self or others. Expectations are unrealistic and approach to staff may be uncooperative.