

Defensible Documentation for the Provision of Skilled Services

We recently reviewed and revised some of the tools we have available to you for documentation that reflect standards of practice. We hope that you will find them to be more user friendly with enhanced strategies that you can use. These can be used throughout the course of the rehab stay for all patients in order to meet their concerns and goals, and especially when there is little or no progress and/or when nearing independence.

These strategies should be noted in your documentation when you employ them and how the patient responded. If the strategies are not clearly stated in the documentation, they didn't occur in the eyes of a reviewer. It is imperative that we continue to improve our documentation so that it adequately reflects the skilled treatment we are providing and that we are reimbursed for services. We anticipate that you will all give this your full attention and help us improve.