

Bureau of Human Services Licensing - Documentation of Medical Evaluation (DME)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Assisted Living Residence

Applicable Regulations

§ 2800.22(a)(1)

§ 2800.141

It's important to remember that the primary focus of these requirements is the need for residents to be evaluated by a physician, physician's assistant or certified registered nurse practitioner – **NOT that a form be completed**. The Department specifies a form simply to ensure that all of the required elements of the evaluation are performed during the evaluation.

Residences are **PERMITTED** to:

- Complete all or a portion of the DME prior to the in-person evaluation, except for the "Medical Professional Information" section, and present the DME to the physician, physician's assistant or certified registered nurse practitioner for signature and certification of accuracy at the time of the examination.
- Complete all or a portion of the DME after an in-person evaluation that was performed within the timeframes specified by this regulation, except for the "Medical Professional Information" section, and present the completed form to the physician, physician's assistant or certified registered nurse practitioner for signature in person, by facsimile, or via electronic mail.
- Correct a DME upon discovering that the physician, physician's assistant or certified registered nurse practitioner has recorded inaccurate information or omitted information, IF a registered nurse (RN) or licensed practical nurse (LPN) contacts the person who performed the evaluation, AND receives permission from that person to correct the DME, AND documents the date, time, and person spoken to on the DME next to the correction.

Residences are **PROHIBITED** from:

- Completing the "Medical Professional Information" section, unless the home employs a physician, physician's assistant or certified registered nurse practitioner.
- Completing all or a portion of the DME without an in-person evaluation by a medical professional.
- Completing all or a portion of the DME after an in-person evaluation that was performed outside of the timeframes specified by this regulation.
- Changing the content of a DME without the consent of the person who performed the evaluation. After obtaining consent, the DME must be changed by a registered nurse (RN) or licensed practical nurse (LPN).

It is strongly recommended that residences carefully review DME forms completed by a physician, physician's assistant or certified registered nurse practitioner to verify that all of the required information was recorded. Although the evaluations must be completed by medical professionals, residences are responsible for ensuring that the evaluations were complete and that the DMEs were filled out in their entirety.



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Licensed Setting: Assisted Living Residence

Resident Information		Evaluation Information		
Name:	Date of Birth:	Type (Check one) ☐ INITIAL ☐ ANNUAL ☐ STATUS CHANGE	Date of In Person Evaluation:	Date Form Completed:
(1) - General Physical Examination				
Height:	Weight:	Pulse Rate:	Blood Pressure:	Temperature:
(2) - Medical Diagnoses, Physical / Mental		(3) - Medical Information Pertinent to Diagnoses and Treatment, if applicable		
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For additional diagnoses, see Diagnoses Addendum on page 4.				
(4) Poisonous Materials		(5) - Advanced Directives		
☐ This resident CAN safely use or avoid poisonous materials ☐ This resident CAN NOT safely use or avoid poisonous materials		☐ Yes ☐ No Check One: ☐ Full Code ☐ DNR (Do Not Resuscitate)		
(6) - Special Health or Dietary Needs		(7) - Allergies		
☐ None ☐ Special Diet - Check all that apply ☐ No Added Sodium ☐ Low Cholesterol ☐ Heart Healthy ☐ Mechanical Soft Foods ☐ Pureed Foods ☐ No Concentrated Sweets ☐ Respiratory Care Describe: _____ ☐ Wound Care ☐ Other - See Needs Addendum on page 4		☐ None ☐ Unknown ☐ Listed Below:		



(8) - Medications		(9) - Immunization History	
☐ None OR See Medication Addendum on page 4		Are immunizations current? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown	
Ability to Self-Administer Medications - Check all that apply: ☐ Can self-administer - no assistance from others. ☐ Can self-administer -assistance to store medication in a secure place ☐ Can self-administer - assistance in remembering schedule. ☐ Can self-administer - assistance in offering medication at prescribed times. ☐ Can self-administer some medications but not others - See Medication Addendum on page 4 OR ☐ Cannot self-administer medications.		Td/Tdap Date: _____ Type: _____	Influenza Date: _____
		Pneumonia Date: _____	Covid Date: _____
		TB Test Date:_____ Type: ☐ Skin ☐ Blood Chest X-Ray Date:_____	
		Other Immunization - (List Date and Type): _____	
(10) - Body Positioning / Movement - Level of Assistance for Ambulation or Transfers		(11) - Health Status	
☐ None ☐ Assistive devices and/or wheelchair: Listed: _____ ☐ Supervision ☐ Cueing ☐ One person assist ☐ Two person assist ☐ Assist with repositioning ☐ Assist with turning ☐ Assist with transfers		☐ Excellent ☐ Poor ☐ Good ☐ Actively Dying ☐ Fair	
(12) - Cognitive Functioning (Check All That Apply)			
☐ No impairment/Independent ☐ Short term memory deficits ☐ Long term memory deficits ☐ Needs assist with high level decision making ☐ Needs assist with all decision making ☐ Dementia diagnosis ☐ Brain injury			
(13) Mobility Needs Assessment (For Ability To Evacuate In An Emergency)	☐ Independent (Mobile) Resident has no mobility needs and can evacuate independently in an emergency	☐ Minimal (Mobile) Resident requires limited physical or oral assistance to evacuate in an emergency	☐ Moderate (Immobile) Resident requires moderate physical or oral assistance to evacuate in an emergency
☐ Total (Immobile) Resident requires total physical or oral assistance to evacuate in an emergency from one or more staff persons			
(14) Special Care Needs (For Special Care Unit Admissions Only)			
Dementia Does resident require dementia - related care in a secured area? ☐ YES ☐ NO		Head Injury or Trauma Does resident require care in a secured area as a result of head injury or trauma? ☐ YES ☐ NO	



Documentation of Medical Evaluation (DME) - Addendum Sheet

This sheet may be copied as needed if additional space is required

Resident Information		Evaluation Information			
Name:		Date of In Person Evaluation:		Date Form Completed:	
Diagnoses Addendum					
(2) - Medical Diagnoses, Physical / Mental		(3) - Medical Information Pertinent to Diagnoses and Treatment, if applicable			
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(6) Needs Addendum					
Other (describe):					
(8) Medication Addendum					
Medication Name	Strength (Example: 100 mg.)	Dose (Example: 2 Tablets)	Frequency (Example: 2x / Day)	Purpose (Example: COPD)	Self- Administration* (Check One)
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No
					☐ Yes ☐ No

* Residents may be able to self-administer some medications, but not others. The resident's ability to self-administer each medication should be assessed. If the resident can self-administer a medication, check "Yes." If a resident cannot self-administer a medication, check "No." If nothing is checked, the Department will assume that the resident cannot self-administer the medication.



Medical Professional Information

By Signing Below, I certify that:

- ☐ I am a physician, physician assistant, or certified registered nurse practitioner whose license to practice is in good standing.
- ☐ The information on this form, the addendum sheet, and any attached list of medications was generated based on my evaluation.
- ☐ The above-named resident requires assistance or supervision with Activities of Daily Living, Instrumental Activities of Daily Living, or both, as defined by 55 Pa. Code Chapter 2800.
- ☐ The resident's needs can be met safely at the Assisted Living Residence.

Medical Professional Name:

Medical Professional License #:

Medical Professional Signature:

Date Signed:

