

AHRQ's Safety Program for Nursing Homes: On-Time Preventable Hospital and Emergency Department Visits: Electronic Reports

High-Risk Change in Condition and Documentation Elements

	Documentation Element	CHF/Chest Pain/MI	Pneumonia/Bronchitis	Mental Status Change	UTI	Sepsis/Fever/Infection	Dehydration
1	Cardiopulmonary						
2	Shortness of breath (SOB): Unrelieved or new SOB at rest; unable to lie flat	1					
3	SOB: Labored breathing		1				
4	Wheezing and chest tightness at rest	1					
5	Inability to sleep without sitting up	1					
6	Chest pain: New or unrelieved	1					
7	Chest pain: With inspiration or coughing		1				
8	Cough: New or worsening cough	1	1				
9	Sputum production: New or increased		1				
10	Dizzy/lightheaded upon standing	1					
11	Edema: Worsening edema lower extremities or worsening edema generalized	1					
12	Fatigue: Easily fatigued/weakness	1					
13	Difficulty swallowing						1
14	Gastrointestinal						
15	Diarrhea (recurrent for last 24 hours)						1
16	Nausea or vomiting (recurrent for last 24 hours)	1					1
17	Genitourinary						
18	Abdominal pain: Lower				1		
19	Hematuria				1		
20	Incontinence: New or worsened				1		
21	Urination: Painful or burning or increased urgency/frequency				1		
22	Infection						
23	IV fluids given					1	1
24	Blood cultures obtained					1	
25	Mental or Behavior						
26	Agitation: New or worsened			1			
27	Anxiety: New or worsened	1		1			
28	Confusion or disorientation: New or worsened			1			
29	Depressive symptoms: New or worsened	1		1			
30	Inattention or lack of focus or withdrawn or distracted or not attending activities			1			



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31	Nutrition						
32	Appetite: Poor or loss of appetite	1	1	1	1		1
33	Decreased oral intake over the last 24 hours		1	1	1		1
34	Diuretic use						1
35	Vital Signs						
36	Orthostatic hypotension						1
37	Weight loss 5% ≤30 days; 10% ≤180 days						1
38	Weight gain of >5 lb in 3 days	1					
39	Fever: Temp >102°F	1	1	1		1	1
40	Fever: Temp >100°F		1		1	1	
41	Fever: Two or more temps >99°F					1	
42	Fever: Increase in temp >2 degrees above baseline				1	1	