

Prepare for Changing Regulations and Payment Models by Tracking Functional Outcomes

DESCRIPTION

The IMPACT act clearly outlines the importance of patient functional outcomes as the industry embarks on new regulatory and payment models. It remains challenging to determine the best way to measure the functional improvement our patients make during their short stay episodes. One must utilize a reliable and valid tool to track functional outcomes, identify trends, and improve results. CMS is leaning towards the use of the CARE Tool as evidenced by the content of Section GG in the FY2016 MDS. Attendees will learn about the Mobility and Self Care Item Sets of the CARE Tool- what they include, how they are rated, and how to use this information to improve operational and clinical effectiveness. The VP of Quality and Outcomes for Consonus Healthcare is paired up with the Owner/Operator for this presentation as they bring their unique experience to this session. Follow along as they share case study examples that show how improvements in scores from admission to discharge can lead providers to determine appropriate length of stay, measure the effectiveness of clinical protocols and justify therapy delivery models.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Learn about the development of the CARE Tool Self-Care and Mobility Item sets and their use as a Quality Measure, Outcomes Measure, and in Value Based Purchasing Models.
2. Understand the training and systems needed to implement the Self Care and Mobility Item sets as an Outcomes or Quality Measure.
3. Determine methodology for utilizing the data to determine key clinical and operational metrics such as length of stay, clinical protocols, and modes of therapy delivery.
4. Become familiar with resources available to any provider to train, collect and compare this data.