

Skilled Physical Therapy Documentation

Documentation for Physical Therapist Practice: A Clinical Decision Making Approach provides the framework for successful documentation. It is synchronous with Medicare standards as well as the American Physical Therapy Association's recommendations for defensible documentation. It identifies documentation basics which can be readily applied to a broad spectrum of documentation formats including paper-based and electronic systems. This key resource skillfully explains how to document the interpretation of examination findings so that the medical record accurately reflects the evidence. In addition, the results of consultation with legal experts who specialize in physical therapy claims denials will be shared to provide current, meaningful documentation instruction.

The purpose of restorative care nursing is to take an active role in helping older adults maintain their highest level of function, thus preventing excess disability. This book was written to help formal and informal caregivers and administrators at all levels to understand the basic philosophy of restorative care, and be able to develop and implement successful restorative care programs. The book provides a complete 6-week education program in restorative care for caregivers, many suggestions for suitable activities, and practical strategies for motivating both older adults and caregivers to engage in restorative care. In addition, the book provides an overview of the requirements for restorative care across all settings, the necessary documentation, and ways in which to complete that documentation.

Be prepared for your new role as a PTA. This is the perfect introduction to the history of the Physical Therapist Assistant and their responsibilities today. The 2nd Edition of this groundbreaking delves into the ever-expanding role of the PTA in the clinical setting, as well as the regulations that govern the PTA's scope of work. Inside, you'll find the knowledge you need to grow as a PTA...from your first semester through your last. By understanding the importance of this information and how it affects you, your colleagues, and your patients, this text empowers you in your new role and in your professional relationships.

Better patient management starts with better documentation! Documentation for Rehabilitation: A Guide to Clinical Decision Making in Physical Therapy, 3rd Edition shows how to accurately document treatment progress and patient outcomes. Designed for use by rehabilitation professionals, documentation guidelines are easily adaptable to different practice settings and patient populations. Realistic examples and practice exercises reinforce concepts and encourage you to apply what you've learned. Written by expert physical therapy educators Lori Quinn and James Gordon, this book will improve your skills in both documentation and clinical reasoning. A practical framework shows how to organize and structure PT records, making it easier to document functional outcomes in many practice settings, and is based on the International Classification for Functioning, Disability, and Health (ICF) model - the one adopted by the APTA. Coverage of practice settings includes documentation examples in acute care, rehabilitation, outpatient, home care, and nursing homes, as well as a separate chapter on documentation in pediatric settings. Guidelines to systematic documentation describe how to identify, record, measure, and evaluate treatment and therapies - especially important when insurance companies require evidence of functional progress in order to provide reimbursement. Workbook/textbook format uses examples and exercises in each chapter to reinforce your understanding of concepts. NEW Standardized Outcome Measures chapter leads to better care and patient management by helping you select the right outcome measures for use in evaluations, re-evaluations, and discharge summaries. UPDATED content is based on data from current research, federal policies and APTA guidelines, including incorporation of new terminology from the Guide to Physical Therapist 3.0 and ICD-10 coding. EXPANDED number of case examples covers an even broader range of clinical practice areas. "This resource will help you: Align with MDS 3.0 documentation requirements. Coordinate documentation between nurses and therapists to improve resident care. Gain the perspective of nursing or therapy to appreciate their specific approach to skilled services. Reduce your audit risk and strengthen reimbursement claims with comprehensive documentation. Prove medical necessity and need for skilled care by practicing accurate documentation"--P. [4] of cover.

Providing a solid foundation in cardiovascular and pulmonary physiology and rehabilitation, Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Physical Therapy: Evidence and Practice, 5th Edition uses the latest scientific literature and research in covering anatomy and physiology, assessment, and interventions. A holistic approach addresses the full spectrum of cardiovascular and pulmonary physical therapy from acute to chronic conditions, starting with care of the stable patient and progressing to management of the more complex, unstable patient. Both primary and secondary cardiovascular and pulmonary disorders are covered. In this edition, updates include new, full-color clinical photographs and the most current coverage of techniques and trends in cardiopulmonary physical therapy. Edited by Donna Frownfelter and Elizabeth Dean, recognized leaders in cardiovascular and pulmonary rehabilitation, this resource is ideal for clinicals and for practice. Evidence-based practice is demonstrated with case studies, and the latest research supports PT decision-making. Real-life clinical cases show the application of concepts to evidence-based practice. Holistic approach supports treating the whole person rather than just the symptoms of a disease or disorder, covering medical, physiological, psychological, psychosocial, therapeutic, practical, and methodological aspects. Coverage includes both primary and secondary cardiovascular and pulmonary conditions. An integrated approach to oxygen transport demonstrates how the cardiovascular and pulmonary systems function together. Emphasis on the terminology and guidelines of APTA's Guide to Physical Therapist Practice keeps the book consistent with the standards for practice in physical therapy. Key terms and review questions in each chapter focus your learning on important concepts. The Evolve companion website includes additional resources such as a case study guide, Archie animations, color images, video clips, WebLinks, and references with links to MEDLINE abstracts. Full-color photos and illustrations enhance your understanding of the book's concepts. Two new Mobilization and Exercise chapters cover physiologic principles along with application to practice. Information on airway clearance techniques is revised and condensed into one comprehensive chapter. New reference style makes it easier to find resources by replacing the old author-date references with numbered superscripts linked to MEDLINE abstracts.

"The main purpose of this textbook continues to be providing the information inherent in the content of the documentation process provided when treating patients receiving skilled physical therapy care, whether that information is collected on paper or in electronic form. Instruction in documentation is vital for the PTA student to develop suitable documentation skills and then to transfer those skills into the clinical setting, ensuring proper documentation that supports quality patient care and appropriate reimbursement"--

Improve your therapy documentation skills today! This best-selling book has been newly updated to improve therapy

documentation immediately. This practical resource is the only product on the market that aids PTs, OTs, and SLPs in honing their documentation skills under OASIS-C and complying with the therapy requirements mandated in the home health PPS rules. Through clear examples, real-life scenarios, and the expertise of author Cindy Krafft, PT, MS, therapists will be able to integrate high-quality documentation processes into effective care management practices. This book will teach you how to:

- * Improve therapy documentation accuracy to ensure payment and compliance
- * Coordinate documentation between therapists and other members of the clinical team to improve patient care
- * Prove medical necessity and need for skilled care by practicing accurate documentation
- * Align documentation with functional reassessment and OASIS-C requirements
- * Prevent missed payment and denials and reduce the risk of an audit

Comprehensive textbook for the documentation material required in all Physical Therapy programs. Physical Therapy is one of the fastest growing professions in the US; if they want to get paid by third parties, they need to have a solid understanding of documentation. This book covers every aspect of documentation including reimbursement and billing, coding, legal issues, PT and PTA communication, as well as utilization review and quality assurance. Market / Audience Primary market are the 30,000 PT students based in the US, attending 210 programs. Secondary market: 155,000 clinicians currently practicing. The primary market for this book, students, has grown by 33% since 2003, when the first edition was published. About the Book From exercise prescriptions to patient evaluations, insurance forms, billing, and much more—Effective Documentation for Physical Therapy Professionals is your best choice for learning when, what, and how to document. Included are every essential aspect of documentation and many sample documents. The easy-to-follow format gives you the professional guidelines, codes, and methodology you need to provide expert documentation. Key Selling Features Includes all aspects of documentation including reimbursement and billing, coding, legal issues, PT-PT and PT-PTA communication, and utilization review/quality assurance. Sample documentation content, forms, exercises and questions are provided as appropriate. Uses current APTA terminology and all pertinent professional association regulations. Includes SOAP guidelines and examples as well as standardized forms and assessment tools The most up-to-date, comprehensive documentation book for Physical Therapy students and practitioners on the market. Contains plenty of examples and exercises to provide practical knowledge to users of the text. Author Profiles Eric Shamus, DPT, PhD, CSCS has taught national and international continuing education courses on Orthopedics, Sports Medicine, and Manual Therapy, with a focus on documentation and reimbursement. He is presently a professor at Florida Gulf Coast University and works at an outpatient orthopedic facility in Fort Lauderdale. Debra F. Stern, PT, MSM, DBA is an Associate Professor at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, FL. She serves as a clinical instructor with a focus on geriatrics, neuromuscular disorders, and also coordinates service learning experiences for the school's PT department. She received her BS in Physical Therapy from SUNY Buffalo, her MSM from Rollins College, and her DBAS at Nova Southeastern.

This text guides patterns of practice; improves quality of care; promotes appropriate use of health care services; and explains physical therapist practice to insurers, policymakers, and other health care professionals. This edition continues to be a resource for both daily practice and professional education.

Dreeben-Irimia's Introduction to Physical Therapy Practice for Physical Therapist Assistants, Fourth Edition introduces students to the role of the physical therapist assistant in physical therapy care.

Preceded by Physical therapy clinical handbook for PTAs / Olga Dreeben-Irimia. 2nd ed. c2013.

Tina M. Marrelli's new book, Home Care Nursing: Surviving in an Ever-Changing Care Environment is a practical and comprehensive guidebook written concisely and without jargon or insider acronyms, making the book accessible to anyone whose work is connected to home care nursing services. Designed to provide chapters as stand-alone resources for readers with previous experience seeking updated guidance, Home Care Nursing is also an excellent guide for course or orientation material. Each chapter is packed with practical questions, discussion topics, and additional resources, such as a complete Medicare Benefit Policy for reference. Additionally, offering more than just an overview of the healthcare and home care markets, this book discusses the unique practice setting and environment of home care nursing, the laws regulations, and quality, and how to make the leap into the field, document your home visit, and improve your professional growth and development.

Documenting Physical Therapy provides practitioners with the tools necessary to make documentation a successful and beneficial part of clinical practice. Using the reviewer's perspective, emphasis is placed on documenting components that are essential for coverage determinations.

- * Comprehensive overview of documentation in physical therapy for the purpose of justifying treatment strategies and avoiding claim denials
- * Case studies illustrate acceptable and unacceptable documentation practices
- * Provides suggestions to improve documentation

Geriatric Physical Therapy offers a comprehensive presentation of geriatric physical therapy science and practice. Thoroughly revised and updated, editors Andrew Guccione, Rita Wong, and Dale Avers and their contributors provide current information on aging-related changes in function, the impact of these changes on patient examination and evaluation, and intervention approaches that maximize optimal aging.

Chapters emphasize evidence-based content that clinicians can use throughout the patient management process. Six new chapters include: Exercise Prescription, Older Adults and Their Families, Impaired Joint Mobility, Impaired Motor Control, Home-based Service Delivery, and Hospice and End of Life. Clinically accurate and relevant while at the same time exploring theory and rationale for evidence-based practice, it's perfect for students and practicing clinicians. It's also an excellent study aid for the Geriatric Physical Therapy Specialization exam.

Comprehensive coverage provides all the foundational knowledge needed for effective management of geriatric disorders. Content is written and reviewed by leading experts in the field to ensure information is authoritative, comprehensive, current, and clinically accurate. A highly readable writing style and consistent organization make it easy to understand difficult concepts. Tables and boxes organize and summarize important information and highlight key points for quick reference. A well-referenced and scientific approach provides the depth to understand processes and procedures. Theory mixed with real case examples show how concepts apply to practice and help you enhance clinical decision-making skills. Standard APTA terminology familiarizes you with terms used in practice. A new chapter, Exercise Prescription, highlights evidence-based exercise prescription and the role of physical activity and exercise on the aging process. A new chapter, Older Adults and Their Families, helps physical therapists understand the role spouses/partners and adult children can play in rehabilitation, from providing emotional support to assisting with exercise programs and other daily living activities. New chapters on Impaired Joint Mobility, Impaired Motor Control, Home-based Service Delivery, and Hospice and End of Life expand coverage of established and emerging topics in physical therapy. Incorporates two conceptual models: the Guide to Physical Therapist Practice, 2nd Edition, and the International Classification of Function, Disability, and Health (ICF) of the World Health Organization (WHO) with an emphasis on enabling function and enhancing participation rather than concentrating on dysfunction and disability A companion Evolve website includes all references linked to MEDLINE as well as helpful links to other relevant websites.

"The Postacute Care Guide to Maintenance Therapy "contains regulatory information, analysis, and advice for maintenance therapy care and documentation in postacute settings.

Rev. ed. of: Legal aspects of documenting patient care for rehabilitation professionals / Ronald W. Scott. 3rd ed. c2006.

Offering a comprehensive look at physical therapy science and practice, Guccione's Geriatric Physical Therapy, 4th Edition is a perfect resource for both students and practitioners alike. Year after year, this text is recommended as the primary preparatory resource for the Geriatric Physical Therapy Specialization exam. And this new fourth edition only gets better. Content is thoroughly revised to keep you up to date on the latest geriatric physical therapy protocols and conditions. Five new chapters are added to this edition to help you learn how to better manage common orthopedic, cardiopulmonary, and neurologic conditions; become familiar with functional outcomes and assessments; and better understand the psychosocial aspects of aging. In all, you can rely on Guccione's Geriatric Physical Therapy to help you effectively care for today's aging patient population. Comprehensive coverage of geriatric physical therapy prepares students and clinicians to provide thoughtful, evidence-based care for aging patients. Combination of foundational knowledge and clinically relevant information provides a meaningful background in how to effectively manage geriatric disorders Updated information reflects the most recent and relevant information on the Geriatric Clinical Specialty Exam. Standard APTA terminology prepares students for terms they will hear in practice. Expert authorship ensures all information is authoritative, current, and clinically accurate. NEW! Thoroughly revised and updated content across all chapters keeps students up to date with the latest geriatric physical therapy protocols and conditions. NEW! References located at the end of each chapter point students toward credible external sources for further information. NEW! Treatment chapters guide students in managing common conditions in orthopedics, cardiopulmonary, and neurology. NEW! Chapter on functional outcomes and assessment lists relevant scores for the most frequently used tests. NEW! Chapter on psychosocial aspects of aging provides a well-rounded view of the social and mental conditions commonly affecting geriatric patients. NEW! Chapter on frailty covers a wide variety of interventions to optimize treatment. NEW! Enhanced eBook version is included with print purchase, allowing students to access all of the text, figures, and references from the book on a variety of devices.

This hands-on textbook/workbook teaches readers how to document functional outcomes in a clear, logical progression. Extensive examples and exercises in each chapter highlight the essential points of functional outcomes documentation, designed to help improve client function and reduce disability as well as provide evidence of functional progress for insurance payment and reimbursement. Provides both theoretical foundations and a practical approach to functional outcomes documentation. Presents a top-down perspective on rehabilitation, based on the Nagi disablement model. Numerous examples and exercises in every chapter allow readers to put documentation skills into practice as they learn essential theoretical concepts. An overview of key legal issues related to physical therapy documentation is provided. Functional outcomes documentation in a variety of settings is covered, including acute care, rehabilitation, outpatient, home care, nursing homes, pediatrics, school settings, and group homes. Examples illustrate a range of impairments featuring different client groups that challenge students to consider real-life scenarios.

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Written specifically for Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) students, this text is an excellent introduction for physical therapist assistant s education. This new edition includes updated information regarding the relationship between the Physical Therapist (PT) and PTA and key concepts of the Guide to Physical Therapist Practice for better understanding of clinical guidelines. It also includes new information regarding clinical trends in physical therapy. Utilizing this text specifically for PTAs, instructors can introduce students to information regarding professionalism, professional roles, interpersonal communication, physical therapist s behavior and conduct, teaching and learning, and evidence based practice. This comprehensive text will provide a valuable resource throughout the physical therapist assistant s education and training throughout the entire duration of the PTA program. New to Second Edition: Distinctive description of physical therapy developments from its Formative Years (1914-1920) to the APTA s Vision and Application of Scientific Pursuit of today PTA s usage of the APTA's Guide to Physical Therapist Practice Differences between physical therapy and medical diagnosis Contemporary clinical trends regarding wellness, health promotion and disease prevention Instructor Resources: Transition Guide, PowerPoint slides and TestBank" Publisher's Note: Products purchased from Third Party sellers are not guaranteed by the publisher for quality, authenticity, or access to any online entitlements included with the product. Clear, concise, and simple to follow—everything you need to master the documentation process quickly and easily Communicating Clinical Decision Making Through Documentation is the top choice for professionals and students seeking complete coverage of the documentation process including billing and coding. It shows how to ensure every service rendered and billed is supported by showing what to document, how to do it, and why it is so important. This text includes a refreshing student-friendly approach to the topic. You will find an abundance of cases portraying real-life case scenarios and it delivers must-know information on writing patient/client care notes, incorporating document guidelines, documenting clinical decision making (includes evidence-based practice), and performing billing and coding tasks. With Communicating Clinical Decision Making Through Documentation, you'll effectively maintain and organize records, record appropriate information, and receive proper payment based on the documentation content. A to Z coverage of physical therapy documentation, including: Documentation Standards and Guidelines Medicare Home Health Electronic Medical Records (EMR) International Classification of Functioning (ICF) Model and Application Pediatrics Legal Issue Utilization Review & Management Skilled Nursing Facilities Sample Documentation Content Initial Examination and Evaluation Criteria Continuum of Care Content and Goal Writing Exercises Documentation Aspects of Supervising PTAs Abbreviations Payment ICD-10 and CPT Codes and Application Chapter Review Questions Content Principles

This is a comprehensive textbook for the documentation course required in all Physical Therapy programs. The textbook incorporates current APTA terminology and covers every aspect of documentation including reimbursement and billing, coding, legal issues, PT and PTA communication, as well as utilization review and quality assurance. (Midwest).

Master the hows and whys of documentation! This is the ideal resource for any health care professional needing to learn or improve their

skills—with simple, straight forward explanations of the hows and whys of documentation. It also keeps pace with the changes in Physical Therapy practice today, emphasizing the Patient/Client Management and WHO's ICF model.

No matter where you work, as a PT you must know how to document your services! Proper documentation is essential because the majority of payment for PT services comes from third-party payors -- and proper documentation promotes quality care. Count on this vital resource for all the information you need to document your work effectively! * Case studies clearly demonstrate both appropriate and poor documentation * Practical tips help you expedite the claims process and guarantee a successful outcome

Put documentation tips in the palm of your hand with documentation pocket guides made just for therapists! Proper documentation is vital to reimbursement and patient care in the therapy setting. Improper documentation can lead to a host of problems including denials, decreased reimbursement and lawsuits. Unfortunately, therapists don't receive formal training on documentation and are often left to decipher the confusing requirements set forth by Medicare, Medicaid, and managed care companies, alone. A quick, affordable and convenient tool to address therapy documentation The Pocket Guide to Therapy Documentation offers documentation tips and advice in a convenient and handy format. You'll keep this resource close at hand to ensure complete and accurate patient records. Ensure proper documentation and save time with these benefits: Condensed information and easy-to-read bulleted lists, charts, and tabs for quick reference Fast access to reimbursement and coding information Review documentation requirements in less time for all patient encounters including: Initial examination Evaluation Prognosis Diagnosis Reexamination Discharge Tests and measures Therapy managers in Long-Term Care, home health, and hospital settings will want to purchase one for each Occupational Therapist, Speech Language Pathologist, and Physical Therapist in their facility.

Complete and accurate documentation is one of the most important skills for a physical therapist assistant to develop and use effectively. The new Second Edition of Documentation Basics: A Guide for the Physical Therapist Assistant continues the path of teaching the student and clinician documentation from A to Z. Mia Erickson and Rebecca McKnight have updated this Second Edition to reflect changes of the American Physical Therapy Association and the ever-evolving profession. Updated inside Documentation Basics: A Guide for the Physical Therapist Assistant, Second Edition: * The discussion on integrating disablement into documentation * The discussion on how a PTA can show medical necessity and need for skilled care * The discussion on using documentation to communicate with other providers * Writing the assessment and plan to coincide with the initial documentation * Sample notes completed on forms * More examples and practice, including physical agents, school-based services, pediatrics, traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, and interventions consistent with the Guide to Physical Therapist Practice * Medicare reimbursement in different settings * The importance of consistent, reliable, and valid measurements * How to improve communication and consistency between documentation by the PT & the PTA The discussion on disablement has also been updated, shifting away from the Nagi Model toward the International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health (ICF). In addition, the PTA Normative Model has been integrated throughout to include more information on clinical decision making. New inside Documentation Basics: A Guide for the Physical Therapist Assistant, Second Edition: * Navigating the PT plan of care...A step-by-step model for PTAs to use as they navigate the initial PT documentation and plan of care * How the PTA uses the PT goals from the initial examination and evaluation Positive and negative aspects of using electronic documentation and a discussion on integrating SOAP notes and the problem-oriented medical record into electronic documentation * Sample notes and discussion of documentation in school-based settings, early intervention, skilled nursing settings, in-patient rehabilitation, and direct access * Medicare Parts C and D * Cash-based services and pro bono services Instructors in educational settings can visit www.efacultyounge.com for additional material to be used for teaching in the classroom.

Documentation Basics: A Guide for the Physical Therapist Assistant, Second Edition is the perfect guide for all physical therapist assistant students and clinicians who want to update and refine their knowledge and skills in documentation.

Complete & accurate documentation is one of the essential skills for a physical therapist. This book covers all the fundamentals & includes practice exercises & case studies throughout.

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Ensure confident clinical decisions and maximum reimbursement in a variety of practice settings such as acute care, outpatient, home care, and nursing homes with the only systematic approach to documentation for rehabilitation professionals! Revised and expanded, this hands-on textbook/workbook provides a unique framework for maintaining evidence of treatment progress and patient outcomes with a clear, logical progression. Extensive examples and exercises in each chapter reinforce concepts and encourage you to apply what you've learned to realistic practice scenarios. UNIQUE! Combination textbook/workbook format reinforces your understanding and tests your ability to apply concepts through practice exercises. UNIQUE! Systematic approach to documenting functional outcomes provides a practical framework for success in numerous practice settings. Case studies show you how to format goals through realistic client examples. Practice exercises provide valuable experience applying concepts to common clinical problems. Four NEW chapters address additional aspects of documentation that rehabilitation professionals will encounter in practice: Legal aspects of documentation Documentation in pediatrics Payment policy and coding Computerized documentation

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The How-To Manual for Rehab Documentation, Third Edition A Complete Guide to Increasing Reimbursement and Reducing Denials Rick Gawenda, PT Up-to-speed with Medicare documentation requirements for 2009 and beyond? Increase cash flow and reduce Medicare claim denials by using strategies provided in the Third Edition of "The How-To Manual for Rehab Documentation. " Written by national consultant Rick Gawenda, PT. Since our last edition, there have been significant changes to the rules and regulations surrounding documentation in therapy settings. And now that the RACs are underway it is even more important to have accurate and thorough documentation. Mistakes can lead to delayed payments and denials, so how do ensure that you are in compliance with the current guidelines? Make it easy. Order your copy of "The How-To Manual for Rehab Documentation, Third Edition: A Complete Guide to Increasing Reimbursement and Reducing Denials." Written by author and national consultant Rick Gawenda, PT, of Gawenda Seminars, this book and CD-ROM set""focuses on the clinical aspects of documentation and offers proven methods to strengthen documentation and decrease the frequency of denials. Gawenda encourages b documentation methods that have worked for him and help you conquer potentially tough concepts such as maintenance therapy and CPT codes. What's new in the third edition? Clarification of certification and re-certification requirements regarding how long they are valid for and how soon they need to be signed Explanation of delayed certification Tips to write function-based short- and long-term goals Updated examples of well-written goals Updated payer documentation guidelines for evaluations, progress reports, daily notes, discharge reports, and re-evaluations "The How-To Manual for Rehab Documentation, Third Edition: A Complete Guide to Increasing Reimbursement and Reducing Denials" outlines proper documentation strategies starting from the moment a patient registers and receives treatment to billing for time and services. Gawenda encourages b documentation methods that have worked for him and help you conquer potentially tough concepts such as maintenance therapy and CPT codes. This comprehensive book and CD-ROM, helps you: Improve therapy billing through better documentation Prevent denials as a result of better documentation practices Maintain quality assurance through proper documentation Optimize your reimbursement from both Medicare and third-party payers Avoid audits and targeted medical reviews Document care in a more efficient way Take the critical steps to verify therapy benefit coverage prior to a patient's initial visit Support skilled therapy services with inclusion of required documentation Understand Medicare certification and recertification time frames and requirements for all therapy settings Understand and use the most commonly used CPT codes and modifiers in rehabilitation therapy Table of Contents: Chapter 1: The Role of the Registration Staff Registration Basics Benefit Verification Preregistering Chapter 2: Initial Documentation Evaluation Format Documentation Components Evaluation Process Objective Criteria Assessment Documentation Goals POC Documentation Creating a Solid Foundation Chapter 3: Certification and Recertification Physician Referrals Physician Referral Denials Outpatient Therapy Settings Certification and Recertification SNF Part A Therapy Services Reimbursed Under the Prospective Payment System (PPS) Home Health Agency Part A Therapy Services Chapter 4: Daily Documentation Daily Documentation Documentation Requirements Home Exercise Programs (HEPs) Plan Documentation Chapter 5: Progress Reports, Discharge Reports, and Reevaluations Progress Reports Discharges

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