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IN BRIEF

In the first half of 2016, the NISS® Standard Revision Committee and the ad hoc NISS Home Care Working Group reviewed and revised the home care forms as well as the discharge care planning forms. In general, the revisions include updates to the following sections: 'Advance Care Plan', 'Key Contact', 'Allergies', 'Medications, and 'Observation and Measurements.' We also added a new form called Medication Administration Record – Home Care (**MARHC-115.0**).

In June, NISS conducted a survey where the majority of respondents favoured a review of the medicine/surgery forms for the fall 2016 cycle. We are pleased to share with you the changes that were made to those forms, as well as the Admission Assessment and History – Obstetrics form (**AAOB-032.8**) and the Daily Systems Assessments (**DSA-153.2**) flowsheet.

In November, with the help of a few of our stakeholders, we also examined our cycle process for revising NISS forms and outlined improvement strategies that we plan to further develop and implement in 2017. These improvements will increase collaboration and efficiency in an effort to meet the needs of the NISS users in a timely manner.

Allied Printers and Promotions will be changing their prices on 15 NISS forms effective March 1, 2017. The updated print order form will be posted on www.3sHealth.ca at the end of February

NISS POCKET GUIDE UPDATED

The NISS pocket guides have been updated with the 2015-17 NANDA-I Nursing Diagnosis and can be ordered by contacting NISS@3sHealth.ca directly.

NISS FORMS REVISIONS

Home Care

Admission Assessment and History – Home Care form (**AAHC-091.8**)

On page 1, a tick box for 'Facility specific Allergy/Intolerance record completed' has been added to the 'Allergies' section. 'Pain PQRST' assessment is now located below the vital signs to reflect the changes adopted on other NISS admission assessment and history (AA&H) forms. A 'Facility specific pressure ulcer risk tool completed' tick box has been added under the 'Observations and Measurements' care component. And the 'Current Medications/Herbals' section has been updated to contain a tick box called 'See Best Possible Medication History (BPMH)'.

On page 2, 'Key Contacts' and 'Advance Care Plan' have been revised to recognize more up-to-date terminology under the 'Additional Comments' section.

Admission History and Teaching Record – Home Care form (AHTRHC-096.5)

On page 1, a tick box for 'Facility specific Allergy/Intolerance record completed' has been added to the 'Allergies' section and the 'Key Contact' section has been updated. 'Pain PQRST' assessment is now located below the vital signs to reflect the changes adopted on other NISS AA&H forms. 'Facility specific pressure ulcer risk tool completed' tick box added below the immunization history section, under the 'Observations and Measurements' care component. The 'Medications' care component and 'Current Medications/Herbals' section has been updated to contain a tick box called 'See Best Possible Medication History (BPMH).'

On page 2, 'Step down therapy' has been removed under the 'Teaching' care component.

Individual Care Plan – Home Care form (CPHC-092.6)

Individual Care Plan – Home Care (long version) form (CPHCLT-094.5)

On page 1, a tick box called 'Facility specific Allergy/Intolerance record completed' has been added to the 'Allergies' section. The section called 'Conference Dates' has been removed. The 'Miscellaneous Information' section includes the following updates: 'Legal Medical Substitute Decision Maker' has replaced the term 'Medical Proxy'; 'Financial Power of Attorney' has been moved to a separate line; and the 'Advance Care Plan/Health Care Directive' field has been amended. 'RN' has been added beside 'Case Manager.'

Needs Assessment and Record of Care – Home Care form (NAHC-093.7)

The lines under 'Homemaking' are now blank and have been reduced in number. Those lines have been added to the 'Observations and Measurements' and 'Treatment and Procedures' care components.

Medication Administration Record – Home Care form (MARHC-115.0) (NEW)

This form is new and was developed to allow the end-user to chart six medications per page.

MEDICINE/SURGERY

Admission Assessment and History – Medicine/Surgery form (AAMS-001.9)

On page 1, a tick box called 'Facility specific Allergy/Intolerance record completed (if applicable)' has been added to the 'Allergies' section and the 'Key Contact' section has been updated. Additional direction on when to consult a registered dietitian has been added to the 'Malnutrition screening' section of the 'Nutrition' care component, as provided by the Canadian Malnutrition Screening Task Force.

On page 2, the pain severity scale was revised from '1-10' to '0-10.' The STOP BANG screening tool for pre-surgical patients developed by Dr. Frances Chung and the University Health Network has been adapted for use in the respiratory system assessment under the 'Observations and Measurements' care component. This tool was added in order to meet the updated Canadian Anesthesia Guidelines to include sleep apnea screening for this population group.

On page 3, the 'Medications' care component and 'Current Medications/Herbals' section have been updated to contain a tick box called 'See Best Possible Medication History (BPMH).'

On page 4, a 'Facility-specific depression screening completed' tick box has also been added to the 'Assessment of patient's emotional status' section in the 'Psychosocial' care component. Under 'Disposition of belongings' section, a 'See facility-specific patient belongings form' tick box has been added.

General Admission Assessment and History – Medicine-Surgery form (GAAH-010.3)

On page 1, the 'Key Contact' section has been updated to include 'Legal Medical Substitute Decision Maker.' Additional direction on when to consult a registered dietitian has been added to the 'Malnutrition screening' section of the 'Nutrition' care component, as provided by the Canadian Malnutrition Screening Task Force.

On page 2, the pain severity scale was revised from '1-10' to '0-10.'

On page 3, the 'Braden Scale' has been removed; however, the tick box called 'Facility/Unit specific Pressure Sore risk assessment completed' remains on the form. The rationale to remove the initial assessment score on admission from the form is to keep all the scores, including the initial score on admission on the same form to provide a complete picture for the caregivers. The Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) risk factor assessment tool has also been removed as NISS users have this tool or another similar tool on a pre-printed order and it is completed by a physician or clinician. However, the tick box called 'Facility/Unit specific VTE risk assessment completed' remains on the form.

On page 3, the 'Medications' care component and 'Current Medications/Herbals' section have been updated to contain a tick box called 'See Best Possible Medication History (BPMH).'

On page 4, the 'Health Care Directives' section has been updated to reflect changes adopted on other NISS AA&H forms. Under 'Disposition of belongings' section, a 'See facility-specific patient belongings form' tick box has been added.

Admission Assessment and History – Rehabilitation form (AAREH-008.7)

On page 1, a tick box called 'Facility specific Allergy/Intolerance record completed (if applicable)' has been added to the 'Allergies' section. The 'Key Contact' section has been updated to include 'Legal Medical Substitute Decision Maker.'

On page 2, 'Pain PQRST' assessment is now located below the vital signs to reflect the changes adopted on other NISS AA&H forms. Also, the pain severity scale revised from '1-10' to '0-10.' A 'Facility-specific pressure sore risk tool completed' tick box was added to 'Integumentary system assessment' under the 'Observations and Measurements' care component.

On page 3, the 'Medications' care component and 'Current Medications/Herbals' section have been updated to contain a tick box called 'See Best Possible Medication History (BPMH).'

On page 4, a 'Facility-specific falls risk assessment completed' tick box was added under the 'Safety' care component. A 'Facility-specific depression screening completed' tick box has also been added to the 'Assessment of patient's emotional status' section in the 'Psychosocial' care component. 'Code Status' has been removed from the 'Health Care Directives' section to reduce the potential for recording error. Under 'Disposition of belongings' section, a 'See facility-specific patient belongings form' tick box has been added.

Stroke Rehabilitation Care Plan form (SRCP-011.2)

Individual Care Plan – Medicine/Surgery form (CPMS-002.6)

Individual Care Plan – Medicine/Surgery form (CPMS-003.6)

Individual Care Plan – Medicine/Surgery form (CPMS-009.4)

On page 1, a tick box called 'Facility specific Allergy/Intolerance record completed' has been added to the 'Allergies' section. Under the 'Miscellaneous Information' section, 'Legal Medical Substitute Decision Maker' has replaced the term 'Medical Proxy' and we have added a line

for a phone number. 'Financial Power of Attorney' has been moved to a separate line. 'Code Status' has been removed to reduce the potential for recording error; in turn, the 'Advance Care Plan (Health Directives)' field has been changed to indicate whether the ACP was done, if it is on file, and its location.

On page 11 (of the SRCP form only), a field called 'Facility-specific fall risk assessment' was added.

Needs Assessment and Record of Care – Medicine/Surgery form (NA8MS-004.7) **Needs Assessment and Record of Care – Medicine/Surgery form (NA12MS-005.7)**

Under the 'Nutrition' care component, a line called 'Enteral nutrition' has been added.

OBSTETRICS

Admission Assessment and History – Obstetrics form (AAOB-032.8)

On page 1, we have removed 'Consult' and 'Consent' tick boxes as well as the 'Tests completed to date' section as this is found on the prenatal record or online. We added the 'Legal Medical Substitute Decision Maker' field. A tick box called 'Facility specific allergy/intolerance record completed (if applicable)' has been added to the 'Allergies' section. The 'TPALG' section has been relocated to page 2 under 'Observations and Measurements' care component. Under 'Nutrition' care component, we removed the 'NPO for surgery' tick box as users are assessing this on other forms if they go to day surgery or emergency surgery. Blood work table has been revised to replace 'Unknown' with 'Collected on admission'; 'Not done' has been replaced with 'Not done prior to admission'; and we have added the line called 'Tests refused' for when a patient refuses to consent to a specific test.

On page 3, the 'Medications' care component and 'Current Medications/Herbals' section have been updated to contain a tick box called 'See Best Possible Medication History (BPMH)'.

On page 4, to align with the Saskatchewan Maternal Health recommendation for health professionals to screen for depression and anxiety in the antenatal period, a 'Facility-specific depression screening completed' tick box has been added under 'Mental, Emotional and Behavioral status' section of the 'Psychosocial' care component. Under 'Disposition of belongings' section, a 'See facility-specific patient belongings form' tick box has been added.

COMMON FORMS

Discharge Care Plan form (DCP-102.7)

The 'Medications' and 'Home Care Plan' sections were updated.

Inter-Agency Referral form (IAR-103.0)

On page 1, a tick box called 'Facility-specific Allergy/Intolerance record completed (if applicable)' has been added to the 'Allergies' section and the 'Key Contact' and 'Health Care Directives' sections have been updated.

On page 2, the 'Medications' care component and 'Current Medications/Herbals' sections have been updated.

REVISED FLOWSHEET

Daily Systems Assessment form (DSA-153.2)

In the 'Pain' section, the intensity scale was revised from '1-10' to '0-10.' A tick box was added beside 'see Nursing Notes.' The word 'Treated' was replaced with 'Managed.'

Charting by exception for night rounding with space to document time and initials was added to page 2.

WHAT'S NEXT

NISS will be reviewing its ambulatory care - emergency and psychiatry forms in spring 2017.

NISS is pleased to share that Saskatchewan Association for Safe Workplaces in Health (SASWH) has enhanced their TLR Mobility Record with more clarity for Specialized Client Mobility Assessment and greater alignment to the content wording of its program. This updated record will be available through NISS and SASWH after Jan. 20, 2017 at which time users can begin adopting the revised form. The new TLR user manual can be accessed through SASWH printer at that time as well.

Please inform NISS of any accreditation requirements and/or health region concerns related to NISS documentation. If you wish to participate on the NISS Standard Revision Committee, please contact the Clinical Advisor – Nursing Information System Saskatchewan at NISS@3sHealth.ca or 306-347-5585.

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