

# SBAR

## Physician/NP/PA Communication and Progress Note For New Symptoms, Signs and Other Changes in Condition



### Before Calling MD/NP/PA:

- Evaluate the resident and complete the SBAR form (use "N/A" for not applicable)
- Check VS: BP, pulse, respiratory rate, temperature, pulse ox, and/or finger stick glucose if indicated
- Review chart: recent progress notes, labs, orders
- Review relevant **INTERACT II Care Path or Acute Change in Status File Card**
- Have relevant information available when reporting (i.e. resident chart, vital signs, advanced directives such as DNR and other care limiting orders, allergies, medication list)

## S SITUATION

The symptom/sign/change I'm calling about is \_\_\_\_\_

This started \_\_\_\_\_

This has gotten (circle one) worse/better/stayed the same since it started

Things that make the condition worse are \_\_\_\_\_

Things that make the condition better are \_\_\_\_\_

Other things that have occurred with this change are \_\_\_\_\_

## B BACKGROUND

Primary diagnosis and/or reason resident is at the nursing home \_\_\_\_\_

Pertinent history (e.g. recent falls, fever, decreased intake, pain, SOB, other) \_\_\_\_\_

Vital signs BP \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ HR \_\_\_\_\_ RR \_\_\_\_\_ Temp \_\_\_\_\_

Pulse Oximetry \_\_\_\_\_ % On RA \_\_\_\_\_ on O2 at \_\_\_\_\_ L/min via \_\_\_\_\_ (NC, mask)

Change in function or mobility \_\_\_\_\_

Medication changes or new orders in the last two weeks \_\_\_\_\_

Mental status changes (e.g. confusion/agitation/lethargy) \_\_\_\_\_

GI/GU changes (circle) (e.g. nausea/vomiting/diarrhea/impaction/distension/decreased urinary output/other)

Pain level/location \_\_\_\_\_

Change in intake/hydration \_\_\_\_\_

Change in skin or wound status \_\_\_\_\_

Labs \_\_\_\_\_

Advance directives (circle) (Full code, DNR, DNI, DNH, other, not documented)

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_ Any other data \_\_\_\_\_

## A ASSESSMENT (RN) OR APPEARANCE (LPN)

(For RNs): What do you think is going on with the resident? (e.g. cardiac, infection, respiratory, urinary, dehydration, mental status change?) I think that the problem may be \_\_\_\_\_ -OR

I am not sure of what the problem is, but there had been an acute change in condition.

(For LPNs): The resident appears (e.g. SOB, in pain, more confused) \_\_\_\_\_

## R REQUEST

I suggest or request (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Provider visit (MD/NP/PA)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor vital signs and observe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lab work, x-rays, EKG, other tests | <input type="checkbox"/> Change in current orders _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IV or SC fluids                    | <input type="checkbox"/> New orders _____                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____              | <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer to the hospital        |

Staff name \_\_\_\_\_ RN/LPN

Reported to: Name \_\_\_\_\_ (MD/NP/PA) Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m.

If to MD/NP/PA, communicated by:  Phone  In person

Resident name \_\_\_\_\_

