**APPENDIX D: DETAILED MATRIX IDENTIFYING REQUIRED AND VOLUNTARY ITEMS ON THE LTCH CARE DATA SET VERSION 2.01**

This appendix provides an overview of which LTCH CARE Data Set items are required and which are voluntary in nature.

It is very important to note that this appendix is only an overview for reference purposes only, and is not the primary source for information pertaining to the data submission requirements. Appropriate use of this matrix ought to include a careful review of the LTCH CARE Data Submission Specifications, Version 1.01.0 and any associated Errata documents that are available on the LTCH Quality Reporting Technical Information Page: [http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/LTCH- Quality-Reporting/LTCHTechnicalInformation.html.](http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/LTCH-Quality-Reporting/LTCHTechnicalInformation.html) The information provided in the Submission Specifications contains the “valid values” (data coding responses) that the QIES ASAP submission system will accept as a response to any given item on the LTCH CARE Data

Set for data submission starting in Calendar Year 2014 for the Fiscal Year 2016 Payment Update

Determination.

The following is an overall key for this matrix:

**N/A:** Not applicable

**Required** for submission and for measure calculation:

**• R** = System cannot accept record without response (failure to provide a response for this item will lead to record rejection by the system). Please refer to the LTCH CARE Data Submission Specifications.

**• M-R** = Required for submission because this element is **required** in the measure and/or is used in the submission specifications for internal consistency checks related to the measure’s data/logic algorithm. Please refer to the LTCH CARE Data Submission Specifications.

**• BYR** = Birth year required. At minimum, the provider must provide the birth year of the patient. Failure to provide this information will result in a rejection of the submission.

**Voluntary:** Note that for some of the voluntary data elements, failure to submit a response *will not* result in record rejection but omission of this data could result in (1) the inability to support additional internal consistency checks of the data’s integrity and (2) the inability to perform additional quality measure risk adjustment. Some voluntary data elements do require a coding “default” response so that the record can be submitted.

**• V-HR** = **Highly** recommended for submission, but not required. Considered voluntary, but omission of data item will impair the LTCH’s ability to modify and correct a record, or inactivate a record, and will impair the ability to apply internal consistency checks related to data. **Please note that some of the highly recommended items do require a**

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**default response**, such as “99”, or a dash, or an “=” sign, if the LTCH does not wish to submit an answer. Please refer to the LTCH CARE Data Submission Specifications.

**• V** = Voluntary, and can be left blank. Please refer to the LTCH CARE Data Submission

Specifications.

**• V-DR** = Voluntary Item with Default Response Required. Although some data elements are considered voluntary items, some of these data elements still require a response is submitted for programming purposes in the QIES ASAP system. If the LTCH chooses to complete these items, it may do so using a response from the list of appropriate responses for the item. If the LTCH chooses not to complete the item, a default response must be provided or the record will be rejected. Valid responses that a LTCH can use as a default response include a dash (-), which means not assessed or unknown; or “99” or

“Z” which both indicate that “none of the above” apply. Please note that “99” or “Z” may only be selected if they are provided in the list of possible responses under a particular data item/question. Please refer to the LTCH CARE Data Set Submission Specifications for detailed information: [http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient- Assessment-Instruments/LTCH-Quality-Reporting/LTCHTechnicalInformation.html.](http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/LTCH-Quality-Reporting/LTCHTechnicalInformation.html)

**IMPORTANT:**

In an effort to simplify the distinction between those LTCH CARE Data Set items that are required by CMS under the LTCHQR Program, and those that are deemed voluntary by CMS under the LTCHQR Program at this time, we have revised the matrix to include an additional column (“Required” or “Voluntary”). This column will allow quick reference to understanding if a data item is simply “required” or “voluntary”.

The various coding conventions we have used in the other columns in the matrix, which are defined above, are intended to provide an explanation as to why an item is voluntary or required, as well as to communicate the rationale for including a “voluntary” item on the LTCH CARE Data Set. It is our understanding that this matrix might be confusing and as a result, we believe that the additional column (“required” or “Voluntary”) will assist LTCHs in delineating between the two types of data items and clarify the interpretation of the remaining coding conventions for each item noted in the matrix.

Please note that although this column states whether an item is required or voluntary, you must still reference the full matrix to understand which LTCH CARE Data Set assessment record (Admission, Unplanned Discharge, Planned Discharge, or Expired) it is applicable to as well as rely on the LTCH CARE Data Set Submission Specifications for detailed information. If you have further questions, we invite you to submit your inquiry to CMS LTCH help desk at [LTCHQualityQuestions@cms.hhs.gov.](mailto:LTCHQualityQuestions@cms.hhs.gov)

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| **LTCH**  **CARE Data Required? Set Item LTCH CARE Data or Number Set Item Name Voluntary?** | | | **LTCH CARE Data Set:** | | | |
| **Unplanned Planned**  **Admission Discharge Discharge Expired** | | | |
| **A0050** | Type of record | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0100A** | Facility National Provider Identifier (NPI) | V | V | V | V | V |
| **A0100B** | Facility CMS Certification Number (CCN) | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR |
| **A0100C** | Facility State Medicaid provider number | V | V | V | V | V |
| **A0200** | Type of provider | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0210** | Assessment reference date | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0220** | Admission date | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0250** | Reason for assessment | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0270** | Discharge date (Date of Death on Expired Form) | R | N/A | R | R | R |
| **A0500A** | Patient first name | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0500B** | Patient middle initial | V | V | V | V | V |
| **A0500C** | Patient last name | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0500D** | Patient name suffix | V | V | V | V | V |
| **A0600A1** | Social Security number | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0600B** | Medicare/railroad insurance number | V | V | V | V | V |
| **A0700** | Medicaid number | V | V | V | V | V |
| **A0800** | Gender | R | R | R | R | R |
| **A0900** | Birth date | R | R(BYR) | R(BYR) | R(BYR) | R(BYR) |
| **A1000A-F** | Race/ethnicity | V | V-DR | V-DR | V-DR | V-DR |
| **A1100A** | Does the Patient need or want an interpreter | V | V-DR | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **A1100B** | Preferred  Language | V | V | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **A1200** | Marital status | V | V-DR | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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| **LTCH**  **CARE Data Required? Set Item LTCH CARE Data or Number Set Item Name Voluntary?** | | | **LTCH CARE Data Set:** | | | |
| **Unplanned Planned**  **Admission Discharge Discharge Expired** | | | |
| **A1400A-K, X, Y** | Payer information: Current Payment Source(s) | V | V-DR | V-DR | V-DR | V-DR |
| **A1802** | Admitted from | V | V-DR | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **A2110** | Discharge location | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2500** | Program  Interruption(s) | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2510** | Number of Program Interruptions During This Stay in This Facility | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2520A1** | Most Recent Interruption Start Date | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2520A2** | Most Recent Interruption End Date | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2520B1** | Second Most Recent Interruption Start Date | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2520B2** | Second Most Recent Interruption End Date | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2520C1** | Third Most Recent Interruption Start Date | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **A2520C2** | Third Most Recent Interruption End Date | V | N/A | V-DR | V-DR | N/A |
| **B0100** | Comatose | V | V-DR | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **GG0160A** | Functional mobility: Roll left and right | V | V-DR | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **GG0160B** | Functional mobility: Sit to lying | V | V-DR | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **GG0160C** | Functional mobility: Lying to sitting on side of bed | R | M-R | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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| **Unplanned Planned**  **Admission Discharge Discharge Expired** | | | |
| **H0400** | Bowel continence | R | M-R | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **I0900** | Active diagnoses: Peripheral vascular disease (PVD) or peripheral arterial disease (PAD) | R | M-R | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **I2900** | Active diagnoses: Diabetes mellitus (DM) | R | M-R | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **I5600** | Active diagnoses: Malnutrition (protein or calorie) or at risk for malnutrition | V | V-DR | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **K0200A** | Height (in inches) | R | M-R | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **K0200B** | Weight (in pounds) | R | M-R | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **M0210** | Unhealed pressure ulcer(s) | R | R | R | R | N/A |
| **M0300A** | Stage 1: Number of stage 1 pressure ulcers | R | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300B1** | Stage 2: Number of stage 2 pressure ulcers | R | M-R | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **M0300B2** | Stage 2: Number of these stage 2 pressure ulcers that were present upon admission | R | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300C1** | Stage 3: Number of stage 3 pressure ulcers | R | M-R | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **M0300C2** | Stage 3: Number of these stage 3 pressure ulcers that were present upon admission | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300D1** | Stage 4: Number of stage 4 pressure ulcers | R | M-R | M-R | M-R | N/A |

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| **Unplanned Planned**  **Admission Discharge Discharge Expired** | | | |
| **M0300D2** | Stage 4: Number of these stage 4 pressure ulcers that were present upon admission | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300E1** | Unstageable – Non-removable dressing: Number of unstageable pressure ulcers due to non- removable dressing/device | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300E2** | Unstageable - Non-removable dressing: Number of these unstageable pressure ulcers that were present upon admission | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300F1** | Unstageable – Slough and/or eschar: Number of unstageable pressure ulcers due to slough/and or eschar | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300F2** | Unstageable - Slough and/or eschar: Number of these unstageable pressure ulcers that were present upon admission | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0300G1** | Unstageable – deep tissue injury: Number of unstageable pressure ulcers due to deep tissue injury | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |

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| **Unplanned Planned**  **Admission Discharge Discharge Expired** | | | |
| **M0300G2** | Unstageable - deep tissue injury: Number of these unstageable pressure ulcers that were present upon admission | V | V-HR | V-HR | V-HR | N/A |
| **M0800A** | Worsening in Pressure Ulcer Status since Prior Assessment: Stage 2 | R | N/A | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **M0800B** | Worsening in Pressure Ulcer Status since Prior Assessment: Stage 3 | R | N/A | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **M0800C** | Worsening in Pressure Ulcer Status Since Prior Assessment: Stage 4 | R | N/A | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **O0250A** | Influenza Vaccine: Did the patient receive the influenza vaccine in this facility for this year’s influenza vaccination season? | R | M-R | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **O0250B** | Influenza Vaccine: Date influenza vaccine received | R | M-R | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **O0250C** | Influenza Vaccine: If influenza  vaccine not received, state reason | R | M-R | M-R | M-R | N/A |
| **Z0400 A-L2** | Signature of Persons Completing the Assessment: Title, section(s), date section completed | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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| **Unplanned Planned**  **Admission Discharge Discharge Expired** | | | |
| **Z0500A3** | Signature of person verifying assessment completion | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **Z0500B** | LTCH CARE Data Set Completion Date | R | R | R | R | R |

1 A0600A can be left blank if the patient does not have a Social Security Number or the facility does not have access to patient’s SSN at the time of submission of the LTCH CARE Data Set.

2 Item not transmitted to CMS as part of the LTCH CARE Data Set.

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