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There are many ways to collect the data to support Section GG. CMS has indicated that section GG should be completed based on the resident’s self-care performance. The collection of data is determined on direct observation, incorporating resident self-reports and reports from qualified clinicians, care staff, or family documented in the resident’s medical record during the assessment period. CMS anticipates that an interdisciplinary team of qualified clinicians is involved in assessing the resident during the assessment period.

Each member of the interdisciplinary team is tasked with understanding the importance and rationale of section GG. A facility will need to develop a process, policy and procedures on the RAI process that highlights the roles and responsibilities of the interdisciplinary team.

3.3.10 Licensed nurse roles and responsibilities.

The licensed nurse is often tasked to assess and document the resident’s self-care and mobility activities. The objective for the facility is to provide education and support for the licensed nurse to understand the importance of accurately assessing the resident’s functional abilities.

The completion of section GG is designed to be a collaboration of the interdisciplinary team and should not be completed by one person.

* Complete competency-based education on each self-care and mobility categories of section GG items.
* Demonstrate proficiency in observing the resident’s performance and incorporating resident and care staff reports on resident’s function abilities.
* Display abilities to locate reports that include resident’s functional abilities within the EMR.
* Validate that the assigned disciplines have completed documentation on the resident’s functional abilities by the end of the shift.
* Determine the licensed nurse’s ability to communicate workflow barriers in completing section GG.
* Displays the ability to locate information on the resident functional abilities within the electronic medical record.
* Collaborating with the interdisciplinary team on section GG assessment process.

**References and Resources**

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