

CHAPTER 12
ADDENDUM E

PRIMARY COMPONENTS OF A HOME CARE PATIENT
ASSESSMENT

ASSESSMENT COMPONENT AND ELEMENTS WITHIN EACH COMPONENT	RELATED OASIS ITEM(S)
PREVISIT	
Telephone call prior to visit	M0770
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone availability • Setting appointment time 	M0770, M0400, M0410, M0560
VISIT	
Basic demographic information	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name, address, age, gender, pay source, etc. 	M0010-M0160
Entrance to home	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stairs or structural barriers • Patient's ambulatory status • Patient remembered telephone call & appointment • Interior of home (as move from one room to another) 	M0310 M0700 M0560, M0570
Interior of home (as move from one room to another)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting • Floor coverings • Room temperature • Electrical outlets • Doorways or other structural barriers • Walls, windows, window coverings • Odors (gas from stove, urine, feces) also M0520-M0540 • Kitchen (where you might wash your hands) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - water availability, status of sink - appliances available - food out on counter tops or table - evidence of insects or rodents - medications present in bottles or scattered 	M0310, M0320, M0330, M0750
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bathroom (where you might wash your hands or what you ask to see to set up aide care plan) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - water availability, status of sink - bathtub or shower - assistive equipment (grab bars, shower chair) - toilet - soiled clothes with urine or fecal odor - medications present in bottles or scattered 	also M0520-M0540 also M0780-M0800 M0670, M0680 also M0520-M0540 also M0780-M0800

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VISIT (continued)	
History of present condition and symptoms	
• Hospitalization and reasons	M0175-M0190
• Onset of current illness	M0200-M0220
• Other comorbidities (severity and management)	M0250, M0500, M0510
• Presence of high risk factors	M0290
• Life expectancy	M0280
Family/caregiver assistance	
• Living situation	M0300, M0340
• Availability of family/caregiver assistance	M0350, M0360
• Other assistance needed and received	M0360-M0380, M0820
Medication inventory	
• Walk to where meds are kept	M0690-M0700
• Assess knowledge of medication schedule, dosage, etc.	M0410, M0560
• Assess ability to administer prescribed medications	M0780-M0800
Physical assessment	
• Vital signs	
- orthostatic BP	M0690
- comprehension of instructions	M0400, M0560-M0570
• Weight	
- comprehension of instructions	M0400, M0560-M0570
- ability to stand, step on scale	M0690-M0700
• Head	
- vision	M0390
- hearing	M0400
- speech	M0410
• Skin condition	M0440-M0488
• Musculoskeletal and neurological	M0640-M0660, M0780-M0820
- joint function, grasp, pain, etc.	
- neurologic	also M0410-M0430, M0560
• Cardiorespiratory	
- dyspnea	M0490
- lung sounds; check ability to dress upper body	M0650
- circulation in lower extremities; check ability to dress lower body	M0660
• GI/GU	
- urinary status	M0520-M0530
- bowel status	M0540-M0550
• Nutritional status	M0710-M0720, M0760
Emotional/behavioral status assessment	M0560-M0620
ADLs/IADLs	
• Review any information not gathered already in sufficient detail	M0670-M0680, M0730-M0760

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POSTVISIT	
Data review (in preparation for care planning)	
• Primary diagnosis and comorbidities	M0230, M0240
• Severity index	M0240
• Prognosis and rehab prognosis	M0260, M0270
• Need for psychiatric nursing services	M0630
