**Revisions to IAF Instructions.**

1. Adaptive Skills Domain

* Instructions/questions now include definitions consistent to updated PLOC and waiver rules for when referencing independent, supervision, and need.
* The same applies as above for questions 1,2,3,4 with tasks for eating, toileting, oral hygiene, and bathing/showering.
* Question 3 tooth brushing was changed to oral hygiene because of the tremendous feedback from the field to include tasks of caring/cleansing for dentures and cleansing mouth.
* Question 11 community mobility description and options was revised to include the individual’s abilities for pedestrian safety skills and to be specific for the need of staff accompaniment. This is inclusive to the individual’s assessed capabilities to have unsupervised time (e.g. staff have to be within- audible, visual, and physical proximity) or essential supports, and supervision to ensure the provision of health and welfare.

1. Behavioral Domain

* Instructions were revised to help clarify use of proactive and reactive interventions requiring staff utilizations. Also clarified that psychotropic medications to treat and/or manage behaviors do not fall within the scope of this domain. Also references to proactive and reactive interventions to eliminate/extinguish behaviors must be able to be quantified and evidenced.
* Question 13 endanger behaviors description includes the rater to take considerations for the individual’s assessed capabilities to have unsupervised time or essential supports and supervision to ensure the provision of health and welfare.
* Question 19 disruptive behaviors description to include non-compliance/refusals to complete daily tasks and elopement.
* Question 20 withdrawn behaviors’ description is to not include deliberate refusals /non-compliance to complete daily tasks as this is rated under disruptive behaviors.
* Question 21 suicidal behaviors description is specific to the rater on how to rate an individual with this behavior versus just rating them as having a DSM IV diagnosis related to suicide i.e. Depression, Bi-Polar, Eating Disorder etc…

1. Medical Domain

* Question 22 clinical monitoring by a licensed nurse specific that this must be prescribed by a physician and the nurse is onsite. A nurse being on-call is not applicable.
* Question 27 oxygen /respiratory specific not to include PRN inhalers for asthma.
* Question 28 medication administration was written to be consistent with updated PLOC and waiver rules. Need to add orally, topically, by injection or by other means.
* Question 29 medication frequencies written specific for # of med passes and not # of medications administered. Also written to include the utilization of delegated nursing to administer medications would rate a 0.
* Question 30 seizures written specific that medications used to treat/control seizures would not be rated. Also rater should take into consideration staff utilization for specialized treatments and or interventions to treat seizures e.g. vagus nerve stimulator and Diastat suppository or supervision during and after seizure, etc…
* Question 31 out of home care written specific that the rater should be able to quantify and evidence through data collection staff hours utilized for out of home health care. Options removed verbiage for days and average and only uses hours per year.