



COHESIVE HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING

Mangum Regional Medical Center

TITLE		POLICY
Initiating Treatment and Care Plan		506
MANUAL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REVIEW DATE
Rehabilitation		
DEPARTMENT	REFERENCE	
Rehabilitation Services		

SCOPE: All licensed/registered PT/OT/ST providing patient care at Mangum Regional Medical Center.

PURPOSE: To outline standards for the rehabilitation staff regarding treatment plans and documentation.

POLICY: Treatment shall be initiated under physician’s orders and documentation shall be in compliance with regulatory standards and processed in a way that meets facility needs.

PROCEDURE:

1. Order
 - a. Therapist will check with chart to verify the physician’s order before evaluating the patient. This can be done as initial data is being gathered.
 - b. If it is a payor requirement, after the evaluation and before initiating treatment, a specific treatment order (type of treatment and frequency, example: gait training and exercise 5X/week) must be obtained, if the initial order was not specific. This can be done as a telephone order.
 - c. If changes in the plan of care are made after initial orders, then new orders are needed prior to implementing change.
2. Evaluation
 - a. The completed evaluation is placed in the medical record.
 - 2.1.1. Medicare Part B (outpatient) and Hospital Swing bed status: Evaluation and/or POC certification form is provided to the physician for signature, and a copy is placed in the medical record to be replaced with the original when it is returned. Physician certification for outpatient POC certification should be obtained every 30 calendar days. Additional documentation is required in the event of delayed certification.
 - b. All narrative documentation forms must follow the Medicare and discipline specific documentation to assure all necessary information is present.

- c. Evaluation must include recent onset/exacerbation date and information as to why a skilled rehabilitation evaluation is needed.

3.0 Integrated Care Plan

Therapy plan of care must be integrated, in language that is understandable by all disciplines, into the facility integrated plan of care.

- a. If patient is to be placed on an active treatment program, then the problems, goals, and approaches must be integrated into the facility integrated plan of care. Integrated care plan must be updated to reflect any changes in the rehab plan of care.
- b. If the therapist is going to design a program for rehabilitation nursing, then this program must be entered, by therapy or nursing, into the integrated care plan.
- c. Therapy should participate in the care plan meeting, as per facility procedure.

REVISIONS/UPDATES

Date	Brief Description of Revision/Change