



# Long-Term Care Hospital Quality Reporting Program Provider Training



**LTCH**

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## Section I: Active Diagnoses

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# Acronyms in This Presentation

- International Classification of Diseases (ICD)
- Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH)
- LTCH Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation Data Set (LTCH CARE Data Set)



# Overview

- Define Section I: Active Diagnoses.
- Explain the intent of Section I.
- Describe new items and/or changes between Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) Data Set v3.00 and v4.00.
- Discuss coding instructions and needed information for items.
- Review practice coding scenarios.



# Objectives

- State the intent of Section I.
- Articulate the purpose of the item and coding options for each of the existing, revised, and new items.
- Apply coding instructions to accurately code practice scenarios.

# Intent

- Indicate the presence of select diagnoses that influence a patient's:
  - Functional outcomes.
  - Ventilator liberation outcomes.
  - Risk for the development or worsening of pressure ulcers/injuries.

# Section I: Active Diagnoses

## Changes Between LTCH CARE Data Set v3.00 and v4.00

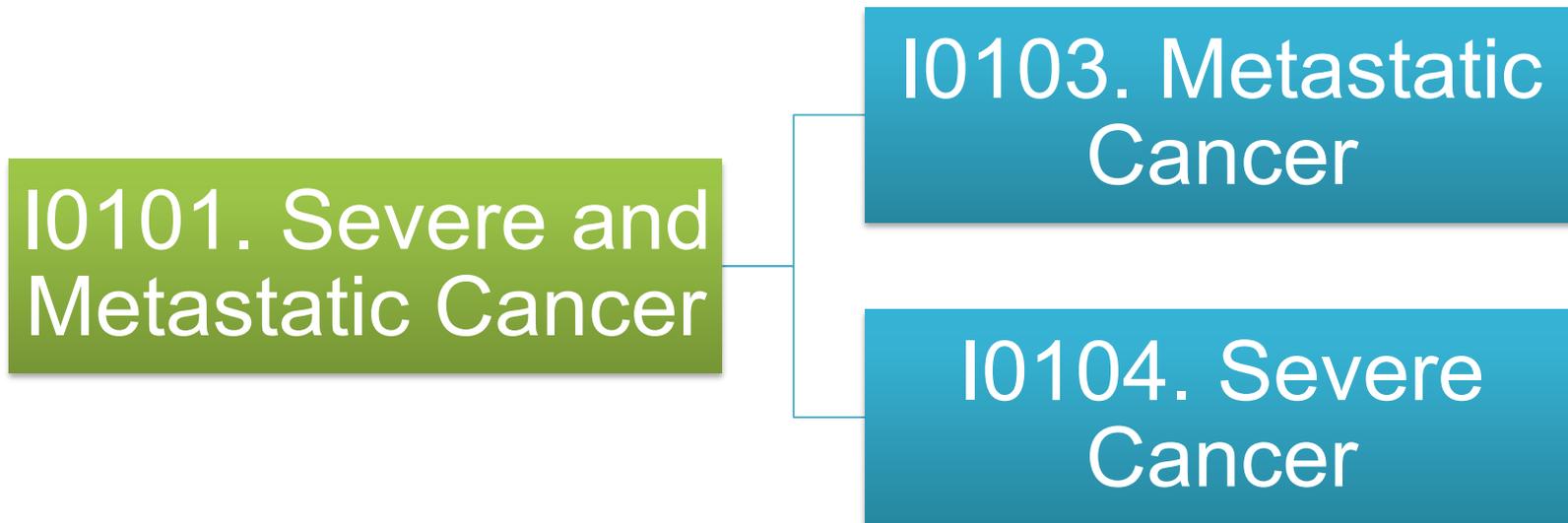
# New Items and Changes

New (Admission Assessment only):

- I0103. Metastatic Cancer
- I0104. Severe Cancer
- I0605. Severe Left Systolic/Ventricular Dysfunction
- I5455. Other Progressive Neuromuscular Disease
- I5480. Other Severe Neurological Injury, Disease, or Dysfunction
- I7100. Lung Transplant
- I7101. Heart Transplant
- I7102. Liver Transplant
- I7103. Kidney Transplant
- I7104. Bone Marrow Transplant

# New Items and Changes (cont.)

- Changes:
  - Item I0101 replaced by I0103 and I0104.



# Section I: Active Diagnoses

## Coding Guidance and Practice Scenarios

# Definition

## Active Diagnoses

- Diagnoses that have a direct relationship to the patient's current functional, cognitive, mood, or behavior status; medical treatments; nurse monitoring; or risk of death at the time of assessment.
- Do not include diseases or conditions that have been resolved or do not affect the patient's current status as noted above.

# I0050. Indicate the Patient's Primary Medical Condition Category

## I0050. Indicate the patient's primary medical condition category.

Enter Code

Indicate the patient's primary medical condition category.

1. **Acute Onset Respiratory Condition** (e.g., aspiration and specified bacterial pneumonias)
2. **Chronic Respiratory Condition** (e.g., chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
3. **Acute Onset and Chronic Respiratory Conditions**
4. **Chronic Cardiac Condition** (e.g., heart failure)
5. **Other Medical Condition** If "Other Medical Condition," enter the ICD code in the boxes.

I0050A.

*Applies to Admission Assessment only.*

# 10050 Item Rationale

- This item captures the primary medical condition category that resulted in the patient's admission to the LTCH.



# 10050 Steps for Assessment

- Identify a primary medical condition associated with the LTCH admission, and record the primary medical condition category. The categories are:
  - Acute onset respiratory condition (e.g., aspiration and specified bacterial pneumonias).
  - Chronic respiratory condition (e.g., chronic obstructive pulmonary disease).
  - Acute onset and chronic respiratory condition.
  - Chronic cardiac condition (e.g., heart failure).
  - Other medical condition. If “other medical condition” is selected, enter the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) code in the boxes.

# I0050 Coding Instructions

## I0050. Indicate the patient's primary medical condition category.

Enter Code

Indicate the patient's primary medical condition category.

1. **Acute Onset Respiratory Condition** (e.g., aspiration and specified bacterial pneumonias)
2. **Chronic Respiratory Condition** (e.g., chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
3. **Acute Onset and Chronic Respiratory Conditions**
4. **Chronic Cardiac Condition** (e.g., heart failure)
5. **Other Medical Condition** If "Other Medical Condition," enter the ICD code in the boxes.

I0050A.

*Applies to Admission Assessment only.*

- Identify the primary medical condition associated with LTCH admission:
  - Report the primary medical condition category.
  - If "other medical condition" is selected, enter the ICD code in the boxes.
- Proceed to Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions.

# Practice Coding Scenario 1

- Ms. K is a 67 year old female who is admitted to the LTCH after an acute episode of respiratory failure secondary to pneumonia. Ms. K is on invasive mechanical ventilation.
- The admission diagnosis of acute episode of respiratory failure secondary to pneumonia is documented in the progress notes of the patient's medical record by the LTCH admitting physician.

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions

Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions	
↓ Check all that apply	
<b>Cancers</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I0103. Metastatic Cancer
<input type="checkbox"/>	I0104. Severe Cancer
<b>Heart/Circulation</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I0605. Severe Left Systolic/Ventricular Dysfunction (known ejection fraction $\leq$ 30%)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I0900. Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD) or Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD)
<b>Genitourinary</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I1501. Chronic Kidney Disease, Stage 5
<input type="checkbox"/>	I1502. Acute Renal Failure
<b>Infections</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I2101. Septicemia, Sepsis, Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome/Shock
<input type="checkbox"/>	I2600. Central Nervous System Infections, Opportunistic Infections, Bone/Joint/Muscle Infections/Necrosis
<b>Metabolic</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I2900. Diabetes Mellitus (DM)
<b>Musculoskeletal</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I4100. Major Lower Limb Amputation (e.g., above knee, below knee)

*Applies to Admission Assessment only.*

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions (cont. 1)

Neurological	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I4501. Stroke
<input type="checkbox"/>	I4801. Dementia
<input type="checkbox"/>	I4900. Hemiplegia or Hemiparesis
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5000. Paraplegia
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5101. Complete Tetraplegia
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5102. Incomplete Tetraplegia
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5110. Other Spinal Cord Disorder/Injury (e.g., myelitis, cauda equina syndrome)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5200. Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5250. Huntington's Disease
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5300. Parkinson's Disease
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5450. Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5455. Other Progressive Neuromuscular Disease
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5460. Locked-In State
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5470. Severe Anoxic Brain Damage, Cerebral Edema, or Compression of Brain
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5480. Other Severe Neurological Injury, Disease, or Dysfunction

*Applies to Admission Assessment only.*

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions (cont. 2)

Nutritional	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5601. Malnutrition (protein or calorie)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I5602. At Risk for Malnutrition
Post-Transplant	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I7100. Lung Transplant
<input type="checkbox"/>	I7101. Heart Transplant
<input type="checkbox"/>	I7102. Liver Transplant
<input type="checkbox"/>	I7103. Kidney Transplant
<input type="checkbox"/>	I7104. Bone Marrow Transplant
None of the Above	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I7900. None of the above

*Applies to Admission Assessment only.*

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions (cont. 3)

The list of comorbidities and co-existing conditions has been expanded.

## LTCH CARE Data Set v3.00

- 8 categories.
- 23 diagnoses.
- 1 none of the above.

## LTCH CARE Data Set v4.00

- 9 categories.
- 32 diagnoses.
- 1 none of the above.

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions Item Rationale

- These items capture the patient's comorbidities and co-existing conditions.
- Disease processes can have a significant adverse effect on an individual's health status and quality of life. Some disease processes and conditions can influence a patient's health outcomes.

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions Steps for Assessment

- **Identify diagnoses:** Review the medical record to determine the patient's active diagnoses.
- **Determine whether diagnoses are active:** Once a diagnosis is identified, determine whether the diagnosis is *active*.

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions Coding Instructions

- Check diseases or conditions that:
  - Have a documented diagnosis at the time of assessment.
  - Are active (e.g., have a direct relationship to the patient's current functional, cognitive, mood, or behavior status; medical treatments; nurse monitoring; or risk of death at the time of assessment).
- Check all that apply.

# Comorbidities and Co-existing Conditions Coding Instructions (cont.)

## Check all that apply:

### Cancers:

- I0103. Metastatic Cancer
- I0104. Severe Cancer

### Heart/Circulation:

- I0605. Severe Left Systolic/Ventricular Dysfunction
- I0900. Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD) or Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD)

### Genitourinary:

- I1501. Chronic Kidney Disease, Stage 5
- I1502. Acute Renal Failure

### Infections:

- I2101. Septicemia, Sepsis, Inflammatory Response Syndrome/Shock
- I2600. Central Nervous System Infections, Opportunistic Infections, Bone/Joint/Muscle Infections/Necrosis

### Metabolic:

- I2900. Diabetes Mellitus

### Musculoskeletal:

- I4100. Major Lower Limb Amputation

### Neurological:

- I4501. Stroke
- I4801. Dementia
- I4900. Hemiplegia or Hemiparesis
- I5000. Paraplegia
- I5101. Complete Tetraplegia
- I5102. Incomplete Tetraplegia
- I5110. Other Spinal Cord Disorder/Injury
- I5200. Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
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- I5450. Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
- I5455. Other Progressive Neuromuscular Disease
- I5460. Locked-In State
- I5470. Severe Anoxic Brain Damage, Cerebral Edema, or Compression of Brain
- I5480. Other Severe Neurological Injury, Disease, or Dysfunction

### Nutritional:

- I5601. Malnutrition
- I5602. At Risk for Malnutrition

### Post-Transplant:

- I7100. Lung Transplant
- I7101. Heart Transplant
- I7102. Liver Transplant
- I7103. Kidney Transplant
- I7104. Bone Marrow Transplant

### None of the Above:

- 17900. None of the above

# Practice Coding Scenario 2

- Mr. F is admitted to the LTCH for medication administration, pulmonary assessment, and speech-language pathology therapy post hospitalization for aspiration pneumonia due to dysphagia.
- Included in the physician's history and physical assessment is the diagnosis of Shy-Drager disease (multiple system atrophy).

# Practice Coding Scenario 3

- Mrs. P is admitted to the LTCH after a bone marrow transplant.
- The hospital transfer record includes a signed discharge summary with a list of diagnoses, including aplastic anemia and allogenic bone marrow transplant.
- She is receiving medication and is being monitored for signs and symptoms of transplant rejection and infection.

# Practice Coding Scenario 4

- A patient had surgical removal of a spinal cord tumor at the level of T6 and a diagnosis of complete paraplegia.
- The physician's progress note documents the diagnosis of malignancy and the need for further treatment with chemotherapy and radiation.

# Practice Coding Scenario 5

- A patient is admitted to the LTCH after a stroke.
- The admitting physician has reviewed the record of the hospital course and performed and documented the history and physical, indicating the stroke occurred in the postoperative period following a kidney transplant.
- He also writes the patient is receiving peripheral parenteral nutrition, as he is at risk for malnutrition. The patient has right-sided hemiparesis and neglect identified in the transfer report from the hospital.

# Practice Coding Scenario 6

- Mr. B is admitted to the LTCH with the diagnoses of status post heart transplant for severe cardiomyopathy and end stage heart failure.
- The hospital discharge record includes an extensive cardiologist report, which documents an echocardiogram result of an ejection fraction of 15%, a diagnosis of severe left systolic dysfunction, and long history of cardiomyopathy with end stage heart failure.
- The signed heart transplant surgical report is also included in the hospital transfer notes. Nursing care includes cardiopulmonary monitoring as well as post-transplant assessment.

# Summary

- Section I captures active diagnoses that could influence patients' functional outcomes, ventilator liberation outcome, or risk for pressure ulcers/injuries.
  - A physician or other authorized licensed staff (e.g., nurse practitioner) documents the patient's diagnoses on admission.
  - Determine if the diagnosis is active.

# Summary (cont.)

- Identify the primary medical condition associated with the LTCH admission and report the primary medical condition category.
  - For item I0050A, if “other medical condition” is coded, enter the ICD code for other medical condition.
- The list of comorbidities and co-existing conditions has been expanded.
  - Check all that apply.

# Action Plan

- Review Section I intent, rationale, and steps for assessment.
- Review the importance and rationale of obtaining and documenting the patient's primary medical condition for admission and documentation of comorbidities and co-existing conditions.
- Reinforce the importance of including the needed information in the medical record to complete Section I.
- Practice coding a variety of scenarios with staff members.