

**Track Changes  
from Chapter 3, Section N V1.08  
to Chapter 3, Section N V1.09**

Chapter	Section	Page	Change
3	N	N-3	<p><b>Steps for Assessment</b></p> <p>3. Determine if the physician (or nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or clinical nurse specialist if allowable under state licensure laws <del>and Medicare</del>) changed the resident's insulin orders during the look-back period.</p>
3	N	N-4	<p><b>Health-related Quality of Life</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>While assuring that only those medications required to treat the resident's assessed condition are being used, it is important to <b>assess the need to reduce these medications wherever possible</b> <del>need for or maximize the effectiveness of medications for all residents</del> <b>and ensure that the medication is the most effective for the resident's assessed condition.</b> <del>Therefore, a</del></li> <li><b>As</b> part of all medication management, it is important for the interdisciplinary team to consider non-pharmacological approaches. Educating the nursing home staff and providers about non-pharmacological approaches in addition to and/or in conjunction with the use of medication may minimize the need for medications or reduce the dose and duration of those medications.</li> </ul>
3	N	N-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N0410D, Hypnotic: Record the number of days <del>a</del> hypnotic medication was received by the resident at any time during the 7-day look-back period (or since admission/entry or reentry if less than 7 days).</li> </ul>
3	N	N-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Herbal and alternative medicine products are considered to be dietary supplements by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). These products are not regulated by the FDA (e.g., they are not reviewed for safety and effectiveness like medications) and their composition is not standardized (e.g., the composition varies among manufacturers). Therefore, they should not be counted as medications (e.g. chamomile, valerian root). Keep in mind that, for clinical purposes, it is important to document a resident's intake of <b>herbal and alternative medicine</b> <del>such</del> products elsewhere in the medical record and to monitor their potential effects as they can interact with medications the resident is currently taking. For more information consult the FDA website <a href="http://www.fda.gov/food/dietarysupplements/consumerinformation/ucm110567.htm">http://www.fda.gov/food/dietarysupplements/consumerinformation/ucm110567.htm</a></li> </ul>