

Case Study 1

Resident on Part A for skilled nursing.
OT eval Tuesday.
PT eval Wednesday
SLP eval Friday.
What are the possible ARDs for a SOT OMRA?

Answer:

Saturday, Sunday, or Monday

Rationale:

ARD for SOT OMRA must be day 5, 6, or 7, with day 1 being the earliest therapy eval date.

Case Study 2

Resident is classified as RHx. (The lower case x means we don't know the ADL score, and it isn't pertinent to the case study.)
Therapy not available on weekends.
Therapy ends Friday. Continues skilled nursing.
Skilled care ends Tuesday.
Is an EOT required? If so, what are the possible ARDs?

Answer:

Yes, EOT OMRA is required. ARD: Monday or Tuesday

Rationale:

- Therapy ended Friday and skilled nursing continued beyond Friday. EOT OMRA is required to calculate a non-therapy RUG to pay starting Saturday.
- ARD must be the 1st, 2nd, or 3rd non-therapy day, not counting days the facility does not offer therapy (although there is no early assessment penalty if those days are used). In this case, however, day 3, Wednesday, is a non-Part A day and therefore cannot be used for the ARD. For PPS payment assessments, the ARD must not be set later than the last Part A day.

Case Study 3

Resident is classified as RHx.
Therapy not available on weekends.
Therapy ends Friday. Continues skilled nursing.
Resident discharged unexpectedly on Sunday.
Is EOT OMRA required? If so, what are the possible ARDs?

Answer:

EOT OMRA is required. ARD is Sunday, the day of discharge

Rationale:

- Because therapy ended on Friday, an EOT OMRA is required to pay for Saturday.

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- The ARD window would have been Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday if the resident had not been discharged from Part A. But, since the resident was discharged from Part A on Sunday, the ARD must be set to the day of discharge from Part A. After discharge from Part A, non-Part A days cannot be used for the ARD for a PPS assessment.

Case Study 4

Resident classified as RHx.

Therapy not available on weekends.

Resident discharged unexpectedly on Sunday.

Last day therapy provided - Friday.

Is EOT OMRA required? If so, what are the possible ARDs?

Answer:

No, EOT-OMRA is not required.

Rationale:

The discharge was unexpected, the plan was to continue therapy. Therefore, an EOT OMRA is not required. Saturday will be billed at the rehab RUG rate.

Case Study 5A

Resident admitted Friday. Diagnosis of COPD. SOB while lying flat, sitting at rest, and upon exertion. Daily respiratory treatment, daily oxygen. PHQ-9 total severity score 18. ADL score 12. Therapy eval Monday with treatment 35 minutes. Individual therapy treatment Tuesday-Friday treatment 45 minutes. What is the ARD you would choose? What are the possible RUG classifications based on the ARD(s)? How would you code A0310B? A0310C?

Answer:

Complete the 5-day assessment with ARD day 8.

A0310B=01

A0310C=0

Rationale:

With ARD day 7 or 8 --> RMC (CMI 45 [rural] or 46 [urban])

Earlier ARD --> HD2 (CMI 43)

Higher CMI = higher rate. RMC is the desired category because it has the highest CMI (and therefore highest rate) of the possible RUGs.

Case Study 5B

Same resident in 5A.

Therapy ends day 42 (Thursday).

Therapy not available on weekends.

Skilled nursing continues.

Skilled services end on day 50.

Is EOT OMRA required? If so, what are possible ARDs for the EOT OMRA?

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Answer:

Yes, EOT OMRA is required. ARD Friday, Monday, or Tuesday (although no early assessment penalty for using Saturday or Sunday).

Rationale:

EOT OMRA is required because therapy ended while skilled nursing continued. EOT OMRA provides non-therapy RUG from first non-therapy day through day 50.

Case Study 6A

Resident admitted Friday. Diagnosis COPD. SOB while lying flat, sitting at rest, and upon exertion. Daily respiratory treatment, daily oxygen. PHQ-9 total severity score 18. ADL score 15. Therapy eval Monday with treatment 35 minutes. Individual therapy treatment Tuesday-Friday treatment 45 minutes.

What ARD would you choose? What are the possible RUG classifications based on the ARD(s)?

How would you code A0310B? A0310C?

Answer:

Any of the 8 days provided for in the 5-day assessment ARD window would be acceptable.

A0310B=01

A0310C=0

Rationale:

The RUGs possible with this scenario are RMC (CMI 45 [rural] or 46 [urban]) or HE2 (CMI 46 [rural] or 47 [urban]). Because of index maximizing, the software will selected the HE2 RUG automatically, because it has the higher CMI and therefore the assessor may select any of the 8 days for the ARD and get HE2.

Case Study 6B

Same resident in 6A.

Therapy ends day 42 (Thursday).

Therapy not available on weekends.

Skilled nursing continues.

Unplanned discharge on day 45 (Sunday).

Is EOT OMRA required? If so, what are possible ARDs for EOT OMRA?

Answer:

No, EOT OMRA is not required.

Rationale:

Being in a therapy RUG is one of the criteria that must be met for an EOT OMRA to be required. This resident is not in a therapy RUG - HE2.