

Provincial Clinical Practice Change

Modernization & Provincial Standardization: Pathway to Long-Term Care (LTC) - Medical Assessment for LTC Form

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TO: All Health Regions and Health System Leaders for Distribution

RE: Newly Updated Shared Health Medical Assessment Form for Long Term Care

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We are pleased to announce the updated provincial Shared Health Medical Assessment for LTC Form has been approved by the provincial CMO/Medical Specialty Lead table and has received support from Manitoba Health. This form will replace Part II, Page 1 Section C - Medical Data within the Manitoba Health - Application/Assessment for Long Term Care Placement document. This new form will be implemented effective immediately. After this date, all Long Term Care applications for Personal Care Home are to use the new Medical Assessment for LTC Form. A Medical Assessment is not required for Supportive Housing applications. We will be collecting further feedback in the fall of 2025 to ensure the form is as effective as possible.

The form is being implemented as part of the *Modernization and Provincial Standardization: Pathway to Long-Term Care (LTC)* project, which is being coordinated and led by the Shared Health Home & Community Clinical Planning team. This is a provincial Quality Improvement initiative, and aims to improve flow from hospitals to the community, reduce Alternate Level of Care (ALC) days (ALC Reason Code 11 - In Panel Process), reduce unnecessary diagnostic tests that are not medically required, improve care planning for individuals requiring LTC, and improve the experience of individuals and families.

We are currently working with Digital Health to make the newly updated Medical Assessment for LTC Form available in the Provincial EMR (Electronic Medical Record) Accuro platform and the EPR (Electronic Patient Record) in the near future. Additionally, the form is being shared with all provincially certified EMR vendors. If you are a provider cannot find the form in your forms repository, please contact your system administrator.

We appreciate your support as we enhance individual outcomes and operational efficiency through provincial standardization and optimization. If there are any questions regarding this change, please contact Joe Puchniak, Provincial Clinical Service Lead, Home, Community & Palliative Care at ipuchniak@sharedhealthmb.ca.

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Medical Assessment for Long Term Care Form