

RUG-IV: Requesting a Reconsideration

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RUG-IV Case Mix Review Fact Sheet #4

What is Case Mix?

Minnesota Case Mix is a system that classifies residents into distinct groups, called Resource Utilization Groups (RUGs), based on the resident's condition and the care the resident received at the time of the assessment. A value is assigned to each group, which is then used to calculate the daily rate of payment.

How do you file a Request for Reconsideration of Resident Case Mix Classification?

The resident or resident representative must submit in writing a reconsideration request to the facility administrator, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Case Mix classification notice. The request must include the reason/s for the reconsideration request.

Note: Please read the fact sheet for the classification that has been assigned to the resident. Note the date of the assessment on the classification notice. Assessments are for a specific point in time. Your request for reconsideration must be based on the resident's status at the time the assessment was completed. The reconsideration process verifies the case mix classification for that point in time. It is not intended to take into account any changes that have occurred in the resident's condition and care needs since the assessment was completed. The reconsideration process is intended to correct the case mix classification when the MDS assessment was coded incorrectly, resulting in an incorrect case mix classification.

An example of a request that would result in no change:

The resident received therapy (Occupational, Physical, or Speech) during the first week of admission to the facility. The request states the resident is no longer receiving therapy. The reconsideration validates the resident received therapy at the time of the assessment, so the case mix classification remains the same.

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