Functional Limitation Reporting: G-codes and Severity Modifiers
## Functional Limitation G-codes and Severity Modifiers

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Functional Limitation Reporting Process

**Initial evaluation**
(G-code primary limitation)
- Current functional status
- Projected functional goal
  *Plus severity modifiers*

**Every 10th visit**
(10 visits from last reported G-code)
- Current functional status
- Projected functional goal
  *Plus severity modifiers*

**Re-evaluation**
(if it occurs, restarts the 10-visit reporting clock)
- Current functional status
- Projected functional goal
  *Plus severity modifiers*

**Discharge from care**
- Discharge functional status
- Projected functional goal
  *Plus severity modifiers*

**Therapy is continuing: end of reporting for the primary limitation**
- Current functional status
- Projected functional goal
  *Plus severity modifiers*

**Reporting of subsequent limitation**
(On next visit, *NOT* visit when primary limitation was ended)
- Current functional status
- Projected functional goal
  *Plus severity modifiers*

**Reporting of subsequent limitation**
Continue on primary reporting pathway
Therapist Process for Reporting G-codes

Therapist performs evaluation and determines primary functional limitation (G-code)
- Mobility: Walking & Moving Around
- Changing & Maintaining Body Position
- Carrying, Moving, and Handling Objects
- Self Care
- Other

Therapist uses judgment to determine current functional limitation and goal severity modifier for specific functional limitation chosen based on all available data

Therapist reports 2 G-codes with severity modifiers:
- Current Functional Limitation G89XX plus severity level (CH-CN)
- Projected Goal G89XX plus severity expected at discharge of this Goal (CH-CN)
- GP modifier is reported with G-codes

Report G-code and modifier again at:
- Every 10th visit
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
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- Re-eval (if performed, restarts the 10-visit clock for reporting)
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
- Discharge of current goal
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
- (next visit)
  Initiation of subsequent goal
  (if applicable, restarts the 10 visit clock for reporting)
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
- Discharge from Therapy (unless self-discharge)
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
  G89XX plus (CH-CN)
Functional Assessment Tools

• Self-Report Measures:
  • Grade form
  • Interpret based on % disability category, if available
  • Interpret based on healthy normative values or condition-matched norms
• Performance Based Measures:
  • Record data
  • Interpret based on healthy normative values or condition-matched norms or cut-off scores for risk

Clinical Evaluation Data

• Objective measures representing impairments such as:
  • Pain
  • Range of motion
  • Joint mobility
  • Muscle strength
  • Muscle performance
  • Bed mobility
  • Balance and coordination
  • Gait
  • Cardiovascular
  • And more.....

Factors Influencing Condition Severity and Prognosis

• Comorbidities
• Patient activity level
• Patient expectations and level of self-efficacy
• Work requirements
• Communication ability
• Cognitive status
• Social/community engagement

Therapist synthesizes the available information to determine functional limitation (G-code):
• Current severity level (CH-CN)
• Projected severity level (CH-CN) at goal discharge
• Severity modifier determination pathway based on therapist judgment

Therapist assigns severity levels customized to the patient with consideration of all variables

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