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Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 1, Issue 3: Home Health Aides and State Surveys 2007-12-31 this lesson on home health aides state surveys includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives after completion of this program the home health aide will be able to describe two reasons why homecare surveys are performed list three primary methods for surveying home health aide services explain the responsibilities of the home health aide during home visits lesson overview the survey of homecare agencies is an anxious time for all concerned it is particularly troublesome for home health aides since they often do not understand how the survey is conducted and what role they are expected to play failure to meet the standard for home health aide services can result in a condition level deficiency for the agency during a survey home visits will be made to observe home health aide care delivery aide documentation and employee files will be reviewed the topic of the survey is an important one for home health aides since they will always be directly and indirectly involved in the process the information presented in this program will help to explain the process as well as outline the responsibilities of the home health aide during a survey

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you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to better understand why patients may exhibit difficult behavior list techniques to handle difficult patients and explain the importance of reporting and documenting events regarding difficult patients overview for the most part home health patients are pleasant and welcoming to the presence of home health aides and are eager to do what it takes to get better occasionally however the home health aide will experience a conflict due to behavioral issues with the patient a patient may be having a hard time learning to live with a disease or adjusting to the lifestyle changes an injury or disease requires the patient may take out these frustrations on the caregiver the patient may be resistant or bitter and even at times aggressive the patient may also have mental status changes directly related to disease or to aging instead of reacting negatively and making the situation worse a home health aide can use techniques to build a more solid trusting relationship with the patient understanding the potential causes of the behavior helps aides know how to respond effectively this inservice looks at some of the possible reasons a patient may be difficult and offers tips on dealing with such patients

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 6, Issue 1: Professionalism 2007-12-31 this lesson on home health aide professionalism includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to describe two examples of professional workplace behavior identify three characteristics of acting professionally explain two ways to treat patients professionally overview professional behavior in the workplace can be difficult to define professionalism means different things to different people and can vary from agency to agency it is something that isn t formally taught and is often left up to the home health aide to figure out further behavior that some patients may find perfectly acceptable may offend others it is therefore important that home health aides know what actions make up professional behavior and put those into practice home health aides must be aware of the agency s standards and there must be proof that aides follow them the agency s reputation and the health and safety of patients depend on this knowledge and practice this aide in service outlines professional behavior and will serve as a guideline to training the home health aide on professionalism

Home Health Aide Training Manual and Handbook 2009-03 it is my hope that this text when properly used will be of great benefit to the individual aide or aide intraining in mastering the required skills that would make the individual a good home health aide the book has been specially tailored as a teaching tool for home health aides the book has two sections the tutorial section one and the practical hands on section two the second section is a good aide or good training tool for practical demonstration purposes for the purpose of understanding only a home health aide does not have to be a certified nurses aide as a result this book can be used to train and prepare an individual to function in the capacity of a home health aide the agency must prepare a set of standardized tests for the aides to ensure that the individual have fully internalized the reaching and training that they have been put through this book further addresses the rule and regulation federal and state that the home health aide must be familiar with this book is an excellent tool for the home health aide i strongly encourage all individual who practice and plans to practice as an aide in the home health field to read this book

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 1, Issue 6: Observing, Recording, and Reporting 2007-12-31 this lesson on observing recording and reporting includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to list three methods of observing patients identify the differences between objective and subjective reporting list four patient observations which must be recorded and reported and recognize the importance of knowing what to report lesson overview one of the conditions of participation cop 484 36 addresses home health aide services a frequently cited deficiency is in the standard assignment and duties of the home health aide 484 36 c the state operations manual indicates that surveyors should always make at least one home visit to observe a home health aide providing direct service in addition the surveyor may question the aide informally and will certainly review records of patients receiving home health aide services the standard coordination of patient services is another problematic area frequently cited during surveys the standard in 484 14 g mandates that all personnel providing services maintain liaison to ensure coordination of care and that the clinical record establishes that effective interchange and reporting of patient care does occur a lack of documentation by home health aides frequently contributes to deficiency in this standard the

interpretive guidelines gives specific guidance to surveyors to look for documentation by home health aides in the clinical record describing significant information or changes in the patients conditions and to whom these changes were reported as agencies struggle to provide the highest quality most cost effective care for patients in the prospective payment system pps the importance of observation and reporting by home health aides has taken on even greater importance patient problems need to be identified and acted upon as quickly as possible it is likely that the home health aide spends more time with the patient than any other discipline and thus is more likely to note changes in the patient sooner the subject of observing recording and reporting should be addressed frequently with them

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 5, Issue 9: Safe Transfers 2007-12-31 this lesson on safe transfers includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to describe different types of movement with which an aide may assist the risks of injury and safe methods for carrying out the movement identify the primary type of injury an aide might experience when transferring or lifting patients and list three types of equipment an aide might use to help transfer or lift a patient overview back injuries are the major cause of work related injury and lost work for health care workers home health aides are particularly prone to such injuries because their work with patients involves frequent lifting and moving their work is also likely to be with the most dependent patients since movement is part of every activity its risk is often overlooked following simple guidelines and maintaining awareness can make a big difference in patient and employee outcomes good body mechanics maintaining a safe environment and knowledge of appropriate equipment can help protect the patient as well as the aide this in service offers a summary of each of those as well as practical guidance on the aide s role

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 7, Issue 5: Ethics and the Home Health Aide 2007-12-31 this lesson on ethics and the home health aide includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to define the term ethical state three ethical standards explain the process for making ethical decisions and describe three signs of ethical problems in the homecare workplace overview health care workers face ethical issues in every setting this is especially true in the home where the independence of both the patient and the care providers along with limited supervision make identifying and dealing with ethical issues a challenge for home health aides ethical issues in the home may be due to patient care concerns patient choice family involvement and the aide s personal involvement and compliance with agency policies and laws to understand the risk involved and act responsibly the aide must have an understanding of ethics and be able to recognize and report potential ethical issues this in service provides an in depth look at ethics ethical issues in the home and the home health aide s role in preventing or resolving these problems

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Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 3, Issue 1: The Aide Assignment Sheet 2007-12-31 the home health aide handbook is unlike any other handbook or pocket guide on the market not only is it inexpensive but it s full color loaded with photos and illustrations use it for training and encourage your aides to carry it with them into the field

to use as a quick reference tool the second edition contains updated information on all of the federal requirements for home health aides a considerable emphasis on observing and reporting hipaa and how to protect a client s privacy home care focus boxes nutrition and the usda s mypyramid numerous procedures emphasizing how they are performed in the home including a new two step procedure for taking blood pressure care guidelines for specific diseases pain management chart of medical and commonly used abbreviations mercury free thermometers home care specific tips for housekeeping and cooking disaster guidelines comprehensive glossary and easy to use index including a table of where to find procedures

The Home Health Aide Handbook 2006 preventing the spread of infection in the home setting is essential the home health aide must be familiar with all agency practices and procedures affecting day to day tasks of infection control to effectively prevent and control infection home health aides must be vigilant about following standard and additional precautions when appropriate this in service lesson presents an overview of the techniques for infection control and the important role home health aides play by providing care to patients who have or are at risk for an infection lesson objectives after completion of this program the home health aide will be able to name the primary cause of infection name the two main types of infection name the single most effective way to prevent infection list three home health aide responsibilities that support infection control contents of this lesson a clearly written fact sheet a 10 question post test to measure understanding of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for the instructor s comments and signature an illustrative homecare specific case study suggested supplemental learning activities an attendance log and certificate of completion

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 9, Issue 2: Infection Control 2010-01-06 this lesson on personal wellness includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to identify three signs of stress define burnout and explain two ways to deal with stress overview since the home health aide s job is to care for others most of your day is spent directly caring for another person in addition to that you have your own professional and personal obligations it is common for all people and especially for caregivers to experience some stress and even burnout due to the pressures and responsibilities of caregiving this in service reviews the importance of caring for yourself first it outlines how to do that by recognizing and dealing with stress in addition the in service explains burnout and suggests ways to manage it effectively

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 6, Issue 12: Personal Wellness 2007-12-31 every year home health aides must satisfy 12 hours of in service training with today s irregular part time schedules making sure they complete their required in services can be a never ending chore now you can satisfy medicare s annual 12 hour aide in service requirement without bringing your staff into the office for training home health aide on the go in service provides authoritative comprehensive yet easy to understand training for self study or the classroom as aides need training simply copy the pages from each lesson as needed the training is flexible so aides can learn at their own pace at a time that is convenient for them even if they miss your regular in services they can still get the training they need each lesson provides one hour of study on a homecare specific topic this 12 lesson volume fulfills one year of medicare s annual requirement of 12 in service hours each lesson includes a clearly written fact sheet about a timely homecare specific topic a 10 question post test to measure understanding of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for the instructor s comments and signature an illustrative homecare specific case study suggested supplemental learning activities an attendance log and certificate of completion a convenient storage binder is included with your purchase volume 11 topics communication strategies difficult patients diet and nutrition medication management arthritis patient rights mrsa strokes and seizures bariatric patients vital signs and documentation amputee care ventilator care

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 11, Issue 3: Diet and Nutrition 2012-01-09 this lesson on medicare and home health includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to identify two qualifying factors for homecare explain the history of homecare and list the traits roles of a home health aide overview home health care is a service that provides skilled nursing care and other health related treatments to patients in the comfort of their homes patients with medicare insurance may be eligible to receive home health care if they meet certain requirements since the federal government provides medicare these requirements are established through the centers for medicare and medicaid services cms home health aide services are part of the medicare home health benefit this in service reviews the history of homecare

basic medicare qualifying services and how home health aides provide patient care in the home we ll also reveal some interesting homecare facts and statistics

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 6, Issue 6: Medicare and Home Health 2007-12-31 this lesson on the home environment includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to describe three methods for improving safety in the kitchen explain three ways to make a home safe for patients and state three things that attract burglars overview home health aides care for patients with many different diseases and needs however one thing applies to all patients the need for a safe and effective home environment that allows for proper recovery while the nurse or physical therapist may conduct a home safety assessment for patients it is often the home health aide who must observe and report changes in the environment that could affect patient safety in addition aides are often responsible for preparing meals for patients given that many home fires start in the kitchen while cooking it is important that aides know the basics of fire prevention this in service reviews the home environment and ways to keep it safe for patients it specifically outlines ways to prevent fires falls carbon monoxide poisoning and burglaries finally this in service covers methods to improve home safety for visually impaired patients

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 6, Issue 5: The Home Environment 2007-12-31 this lesson on privacy confidentiality hipaa includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there s no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives after completing the learning module the home health aide will be able to list two forms of communication of health information that are protected by the hipaa regulations list three behaviors that may compromise the security of protected information and verbalize that hipaa is a federal regulation that applies to homecare providers regarding privacy of patient information lesson overview in 1996 congress enacted the health insurance portability and accountability act hipaa for the purpose of developing national patient record privacy standards the regulations were drafted by the department of health and human services hhs and the final rule was published in december 2000 the effective date for implementation was april 14 2001 with full compliance required by april 14 2003 the privacy section of hipaa applies to protection of all individually identifiable health information in all forms including oral and written communication it is in the areas of oral and written communication that the hipaa requirements most directly affect home health aides home health aides spend a great deal of time discussing patients with supervisors schedulers nurses and therapists the circumstances under which these discussions occur take on an increasing importance within the rules of hipaa the issues surrounding hipaa and confidentiality are important ones for the home health aide to understand

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 1, Issue 2: Privacy, Confidentiality, and Hipaa 2007-12-31 home health aide on the go in service vol 10 issue 8 falls risk and prevention overview preventing falls is a crucial part of a home health aide s job as they are frequently with the patient in an ambulatory environment the aide must be able to anticipate what situations might cause a fall and what conditions the patient suffers from that might make a fall more likely this in service focuses on a necessary awareness of the risk factors for falls at home aides will learn methods to prevent falls which includes recognizing elements in the home that may require modification or medical intervention lesson objectives after completion of this program the home health aide will be able to list which diseases or conditions may cause falls in the elderly list the risks of falls explain ways to prevent falls in the home contents of this lesson a clearly written fact sheet a 10 question post test to measure understanding of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for the instructor s comments and signature an illustrative homecare specific case study suggested supplemental learning activities an attendance log and certificate of completion

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 10, Issue 8: Falls Risk and Prevention 2011-01-19 effective documentation demonstrates that care was coordinated between team members involved in the plan of care it supports the payment the agency receives for providing home health services to the patient and it serves as legal proof that a visit was made poor documentation can result in costly survey citations and lost revenue for the agency it can also lead to medical errors that can be life threatening to patients and career ending for clinicians this lesson focuses on requirements and guidelines for accurate and complete electronic and handwritten home health aide documentation lesson objectives after completion of this program the home health aide will be able to identify five documentation flaws that could lead to legal or survey issues distinguish between objective and subjective documentation describe how to correct a documentation error in the medical record contents of this lesson a clearly written fact sheet a 10 question post test to measure understanding

of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for the instructor's comments and signature an illustrative homecare specific case study suggested supplemental learning activities an attendance log and certificate of completion

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 9, Issue 7: Documentation 2010-04-15 this lesson on effective documentation includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there's no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to understand the importance of accurately documenting patient care describe his or her role in the documentation process explain the relationship between documentation and the plan of care and document patient care clearly and according to regulations overview the patient's clinical record is the primary source of information regarding a patient's care caregivers and agencies use it as a record of the care the health care team provides it is not only a home health aide's source of instruction but it is also an aide's tool for documenting care provided as such it is important that aides know what documentation is required and the best way to describe that information this in service discusses the aide's role and documentation reasons tips and examples and includes a short grammar review

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 6, Issue 9: Effective Documentation 2007-12-31 home health aide on the go in service vol 10 issue 2 preventing hospitalization emergent care overview the transition of care between homecare and the hospital must be seamless as flaws in this process lead to expensive rehospitalizations frustrated patients and poor public perception of an agency's quality of care home health aides play a vital role in this process and can impact the success of the transition this in service defines the aide's role in managing the complications associated with patient transition from the hospital to homecare aides will learn how they can help prevent rehospitalization by recognizing patient risk for falls pressure ulcers and other conditions lesson objectives after completion of this program the home health aide will be able to discuss the prevention of hospitalization emergent care in homecare patients discuss risk assessment for hospitalization falls and pressure ulcers define and discuss the home health aide's role in preventing rehospitalizations and emergent care understand the role and importance of risk assessment patient education disease and medication management prevention of falls and pressure ulcers and effective care transitions in reducing rehospitalizations discuss the importance of effective communication techniques contents of this lesson a clearly written fact sheet a 10 question post test to measure understanding of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for the instructor's comments and signature an illustrative homecare specific case study suggested supplemental learning activities an attendance log and certificate of completion

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greater concern a recent study by the centers for disease control and prevention cdc determined that the prevalence of diabetes rose from 4.9% of the population in 1990 to 6.5% of the population in 1998 this represents a very significant increase during this eight year period a report by the office of inspector general oei 02 01 00070 october 2001 ranks diabetes as the highest volume diagnosis for patients who had no facility inpatient stay within 15 days of receiving home health care it is clear that many homecare patients have a diagnosis of diabetes either as the primary reason for the homecare or as another pertinent diagnosis related to their care given the numerous complications and impairments associated with diabetes many of these patients will receive home health aide services it is therefore essential that home health aides have some understanding of the problems associated with diabetes and most especially an understanding of their roles in the care of these patients

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 1, Issue 10: Caring for Patients with Diabetes 2007-12-31 this lesson on hepatitis includes a complete training packet each in service packet takes approximately one hour to complete and fully meets the medicare in service training requirements as aides need training you can make as many copies as you want there is no restriction when used with aides assigned from your office location remember that home health aides must have 12 hours of in service training every year lesson objectives upon completion of this program the home health aide will be able to name two early symptoms of hepatitis b infection define hepatitis as inflammation of the liver recognize that standard precautions are essential for preventing transmission of the hepatitis viruses in the workplace and note that many people infected with hepatitis b virus or hepatitis c virus are unaware of the infection overview despite development of vaccinations for hepatitis a and hepatitis b the incidence of the three major types of viral hepatitis in the united states is widespread the centers for disease control and prevention cdc estimates that the number of deaths from hepatitis c alone will triple in the next two decades hepatitis b is responsible for more than 6 000 deaths in the u s annually and one out of every 250 americans is a carrier of the virus a high percentage of people infected with one of the hepatitis viruses are not aware they are infected the prevalence of the various hepatitis virus infections is so widespread that it is almost certain that many homecare patients are infected and are unaware of the infection therefore home health aides are caring for infected patients without being aware of the infections additionally there are major differences among the various hepatitis viruses their mode of transmission and the severity of the illnesses they cause the purpose of this in service is to provide information about the various hepatitis viruses and how home health aides can protect themselves from infection

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Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 2, Issue 8: Dealing with Behavior Problems 2007-12-31 every year home health aides must satisfy 12 hours of in service training with today's irregular part time schedules making sure they complete their required in services can be a never ending chore now you can satisfy medicare's annual 12 hour aide in service requirement without bringing your staff into the office for training home health aide on the go in service provides authoritative comprehensive yet easy to understand training for self study or the classroom as aides need training simply copy the pages from each lesson as needed the training is flexible so aides can learn at their own pace at a time that is

convenient for them even if they miss your regular in services they can still get the training they need each lesson provides one hour of study on a homecare specific topic this 12 lesson volume fulfills one year of medicare s annual requirement of 12 in service hours each lesson includes a clearly written fact sheet about a timely homecare specific topic a 10 question post test to measure understanding of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for the instructor s comments and signature an illustrative homecare specific case study suggested supplemental learning activities an attendance log and certificate of completion a convenient storage binder is included with your purchase volume 11 topics communication strategies difficult patients diet and nutrition medication management arthritis patient rights mrsa strokes and seizures bariatric patients vital signs and documentation amputee care ventilator care

Home Health Aide On-The-Go In-Service Lessons: Vol. 11, Issue 6: Rights of the Homecare Patient 2012-01-09 it s a common perception that patients who are noncompliant are foolish disobedient poorly educated psychologically or intellectually impaired or lacking in financial resources yet studies that examine how patients actually behave consistently show that significant noncompliance exists throughout healthcare and is an especially challenging problem this in service identifies reasons why patients may fail to comply with their treatment plan and how home health aides can positively influence patients to choose behaviors that promote health and recovery lesson objectives after completion of this program the home health aide will be able to define noncompliance identify five common reasons why patients fail to be compliant with their treatment plan discuss ten measures that home health aides can take to influence their patients to be compliant with their treatment plan contents of this lesson a clearly written fact sheet a 10 question post test to measure understanding of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for the instructor s comments and signature an illustrative homecare specific case study suggested supplemental learning activities an attendance log and certificate of completion

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completion of this program the home health aide will be able to define dyspnea list three disease conditions that are likely to lead to dyspnea recognize three signs symptoms of increasing dyspnea and state two measures for reducing energy expenditure overview heart failure pneumonia and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease comprise three of the top ten most common primary diagnoses for medicare homecare in fact heart failure is often the second and sometimes the most common diagnosis all of the patients with these diagnoses are at much higher risk of dyspnea care pathways for managing patients with these diagnoses were among the first to be widely used all too often care planning for patients with dyspnea pays far too little attention to the home health aide many of these patients require personal care assistance from home health aides because of their compromised breathing beyond that the involvement of the home health aide may be limited to maintaining oxygen equipment taking vital signs and reporting any abnormalities to the nurse the very high prevalence of patients with dyspnea coupled with an increased rate of re hospitalization for these patients mandates that stabilization or improvement in dyspnea should always be a part of a homecare agency's performance improvement activities recent establishment of improvement in dyspnea as a potential marker of quality in the obqi outcome based quality improvement reporting system provides even greater necessity to look at this issue home health aides can be very valuable in achieving better outcomes for patients with dyspnea the purpose of this in service is to provide information to assist in that goal

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Violence in the Workplace 2007 home health aide on the go in service vol 10 issue 3 discharge to community overview patient discharge preparation is a crucial element in completing a successful transition of care by using their relationship with the patient to encourage adherence to the plan home health aides play a valuable role in getting the patient ready for discharge this in service outlines the role aides play in the discharge process and details how they can promote patient self management skills as well as obedience to diet medication and exercise regimens lesson objectives after completion of this program the home health aide will be able to describe his or her role in preparing the patient for discharge identify patient self management skills describe specific activities of daily living adl the patient caregiver must master safely prior to discharge identify and discuss expected patient outcomes prior to discharge contents of this lesson a clearly written fact sheet a 10 question post test to measure understanding of the subject matter an answer sheet with a place for

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