

Cerner Flash

Coming 09/20/2021

NIHSS Scoring for Stroke Patients Inpatient Nursing

Coming this week, the NEURO Stroke PowerPlans will be updated to better meet stroke regulatory requirements. The impact these updates will have on inpatient nursing is outlined below.

The National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) orders and tasking will be updated to include both the appropriate scheduled frequency Modified NIHSS and neuro checks, as well as tasking for a full NIHSS every shift (Q 12 hours). A full NIHSS should also be documented on admission, transfer and with any neuro decline which is outlined in the order details.

🕅 NIHSS, Pupils and GCS	T;N, Q12H, Perform full NIHSS on admission, transfer, Q shift and with any neuro decline
Modified NIHSS, Pupils and GCS	T;N, Q4H, Modified NIHSS incudes: Level of Consciousness (LOC), LOC questions and commands,

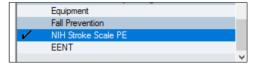
Inpatient nursing will receive tasks for both the modified and full NIHSS. These tasks contain the same charting elements and may occasionally overlap. When these tasks overlap and there is a duplicate landing on the same time frame, there are two options to address this.

- Document the full NIHSS task and mark the modified task as "Not Done" reason: Task Duplication.
- Or select both tasks and click document. When both tasks are selected, document as usual and sign. This will complete both tasks and remove them from the task list.

Scheduled/Unscheduled PRN/Continuous Plans of Care Patient Information		
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Current		
NIHSS, Pupils and GCS 09/13/21 11:15:00 EDT, Perform full NIHSS on admission, transfer, Q shift and with any neuro decline Instruction: Perform full NIHSS on admission, transfer, Q shift and with any neuro decline		
Stroke Education 09/13/21 11:15:00 EDT		
Unscheduled (No Activities)		
12:00		
Modified NIHSS, Pupils and GCS NIHSS, Pupils and GCS 09/13/21 12:00:00 EDT, Modified NIHSS incudes: Level of Consciousness (LOC), Instruction: Modified NIHSS incudes: Level of Consciousness (LOC), LOC questions and commands, Facial Weakness, and Motor Fun		
Interdisciplinary (No Activities)	\sim	
Done Not Done Document	t	

Note: special instructions in the Modified NIHSS order outline which fields to include when only a modified NIHSS is needed.

As always, the NIHSS can be accessed in iView via the Assessments band and charted at any time it is needed.





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