

**Track Changes
from Chapter 1 v1.14
to Chapter 1 v1.15**

Chapter	Section	Page	Change		
1	1.3	1-8	Given the requirements of participation of appropriate health professionals and direct care staff, completion of the RAI is best accomplished by an interdisciplinary team (IDT) that includes nursing home staff with varied clinical backgrounds, including nursing staff and the resident's physician. Such a team brings their combined experience and knowledge to the table in providing an understanding of the strengths, needs and preferences of a resident to ensure the best possible quality of care and quality of life. It is important to note that even nursing homes that have been granted an RN waiver under 42 CFR 483.30 (e) or (d) 5(e) must provide an RN to conduct or coordinate the assessment and sign off the assessment as complete.		
1	1.7	1-14	P	Restraints and Alarms	Record the frequency that the resident was restrained by any of the listed devices at any time during the day or night; record the frequency that any of the listed alarms were used.
1	1.8	1-15	MDS assessment data is personal information about nursing facility residents that facilities are required to collect and keep confidential in accordance with federal law. The 42 CFR Part 483.20 requires Medicare and Medicaid certified nursing facility providers to collect the resident assessment data that comprises the MDS. This data is considered part of the resident's medical record and is protected from improper disclosure by Medicare and Medicaid certified facilities by regulation at CFR 483.75 (1)(2)(3) 70(i) and 483.75 (1)(2)(4)(i)(ii)(iii) (i)(4), release of information from the resident's clinical record is permissible only when required by:		
1	1.8	1-15	Providers, who are part of a multi-facility corporation, may release data to their corporate office or parent company but not to other providers within the multi-facility corporation. The parent company is required to "act" in the same manner as the facility and is permitted to use data only to the extent the facility is permitted to do so (as described in the 42 CFR at 483.10 (e)(3) (h)(3)(i)).		