

Crosswalk for Changes to Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) tool for use in Functional Assessment Standardized Item (FASI) Set

The TEFT FASI items are primarily a subset of the CARE item set. Only four sections of the CARE tool are included in the FASI Item Set:

- a subset of Section I. Administrative Items (Gender, Age)
- a subset of Section V. Impairments, (only item H. Mobility Devices and Aides Needed)
- a subset of Section VI. Functional Status (excludes tube feeding, wheeling long and short ramps, using public transportation)
- a subset of Section VII. Discharge status, including a modified item on frequency of assistance needed at discharge, living arrangements, and Support Needs/Caregiver Assistance.

A few new items were included in the function section that measure mobility in the community, including ability to walk/wheel for 15 minutes, ability to cross street before light changes, ability to walk/wheel around obstacles in rooms, and ability to carry something in both hands while walking. A set of personal priority items were also included in each subsection (self-care, mobility, instrumental activities of daily living, and living arrangements/caregiver assistance needs). The priority items are two open-ended items to allow the individual to identify their priorities for the next six months in each subsection. Last, the first section in the FASI item set is much shorter, collecting only information on gender and age (modified from date of birth in CARE) and adding an item on which waiver the person is on as well as assessor and participant ID numbers. The following describes these modifications by Section.

Section # on Current CMS-10243 (07/07)	Type of Change	Rationale for Change
I. Administrative	Excluded all CARE items. Replaced with study IDs only.	Protected confidentiality for beta test.
II. Admission Information	Excluded entire section.	FASI focuses only on function.
III. Medical Information	Excluded entire section.	FASI focuses only on function.
IV. Cognitive Status, Mood and Pain	Excluded entire section.	FASI focuses only on function.
V. Impairments	Dropped all items except H1. Mobility Devices.	Rest of the items are irrelevant for LTSS.
V. Impairments	Added Devices to the CARE H1 Mobility Devices (FASI Section C list.)	The types of devices used in the community are broader than in the healthcare setting.
VI. Functional Status	Excluded some items: tube-feeding, laundry, and public transportation use and wheeling long and short ramps.	Poor reliability in earlier tests or inappropriate for community measurement.

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VI. Functional Status	Added a column to collect information on the person's most dependent level in past month in addition to the original metric of usual ability over the past 3 days.	More relevant for this population.
VI. Functional Status	Reorganized order of items from core and supplemental to group similar items.	Grouped similar items together (e.g., all mobility items, all self-care items, all IADL items).
VI. Functional Status	Added separate items for mobility ability using a motorized wheelchair and a manual wheelchair. Individuals can be coded on ambulation, and both types of wheelchair use, independent of ability on the other two types of mobility.	Some people walk in the house but need wheelchairs in the community; ability may differ depending on whether the wheelchair being used is manual or motorized. Same person may use all 3 modes of mobility.
VI. Functional Status	Added 3 sets of mobility items (ambulation, motorized wheelchair, manual wheelchair) to measure walking/wheeling for 15 minutes, walking/wheeling across street, walking/wheeling indoors around obstacles, and one ambulation item on carrying something in 2 hands while walking indoors.	Items expand measurement into activities common in community living.
VI. Functional Status	Added 2 open-ended priority items in each of the four sections (Self-care, mobility, IADL, Caregiver assistance needs).	Identify personal preferences/goals for a more person-centered assessment.
VI. Functional Status	Modified Instrumental Activities of Daily Living items to separate simple and complex tasks in making a light meal (cold meal v hot meal preparation).	Better measures of need for assistance. Cognitive impairment can affect one's ability to make a hot meal differently than a cold meal.

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VI. Functional Status	Replaced wiping down surface with light and heavy housework and added simple and complex financial management.	Broader set of housework activities are more relevant to this population.
VII. Overall Plan of Care	Excluded entire section.	FASI focuses only on function.
VIII. Discharge Status	Excluded most items.	Not relevant to this population.
VIII. Discharge Status	Modified living arrangements to collect information on past month in addition to past 3 days.	More relevant for this population.
VIII. Discharge Status	Modified frequency of assistance needed to differentiate between paid and unpaid assistance.	More relevant for this population.
VIII. Discharge Status	Modified caregiver assistance/support needs to differentiate between paid and unpaid assistance.	More relevant for this population.