

NUTRITIONAL STATUS EVALUATION FORM (DMAS-115)

Instructions for Completion

Coverage of enteral nutrition which does not include a legend drug is limited to when the supplement is the sole form of nutrition (except for individuals authorized through the Technology-Assisted or AIDS Waiver or through EPSDT where the supplement must be the primary source of nutrition), is administered orally or through a nasogastric or gastrostomy tube, and is necessary to treat a medical condition. Coverage of oral administration does not include the provision of “routine” infant formulae.

A. PATIENT INFORMATION

Enter complete, name, date, of birth, social security number, and Medicaid Number.

B. DATA ELEMENTS

- Height (or length for pediatric recipients);
- Weight: a) either give a current weight or, if unobtainable, must provide mid-arm circumference and triceps skinfold test data. b) Ideal body weight should be recorded from the Weight Status Worksheet. c) For initial assessments, indicate the patient weight Loss over time;
- Formula tolerance (e.g., is the patient experiencing diarrhea, vomiting, constipation). This element is only required if the patient is already receiving a supplement;
- Tube or stoma site assessment, as applicable.

C. PRIMARY OR SOLE SOURCE OF NUTRITION

Sole source means the individual is unable to handle (*swallow* or absorb) any other form of nutrition. Primary source means the nutritional supplements *are* medically indicated for the treatment of the recipient’s condition, if the recipient is unable to tolerate nutrients. The patient may either be unable to take any oral nutrition or the oral intake that can be tolerated is inadequate to maintain life. The focus must be the maintenance of weight and strength commensurate with the patients a condition.

D. PROGRESS STATEMENT

Circle (*ONE**) appropriate progress statement (For AIDS Waiver recipients, this section is not applicable and may be left blank)

E. COMMENTS

If the client receives nutrition orally or via any other means not addressed on the form, the route of administration must be noted here. This section may also be used to record any other pertinent observations and/or recommendations about the client’s nutrition.

F. PHYSICIAN ORDER FOR NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENT

This Section must be fully completed in order for the provider of the enteral nutrition to receive reimbursement. The physician’s order for all programs must be documented on the DMAS 352 form, Certificate of Medical Necessity (CMN).

G. ASSESSOR INFORMATION

The forms must be completed by a physician, registered nurse, or dietitian. The person completing the form must sign and date the form here. The DMAS-115 must be signed and dated by the assessor (physician, registered nurse, or dietitian) within 60 days of the DMAS-115 begin service date; otherwise, the DMAS-115 will become valid on the date that the form is signed by the assessor.

A copy of the Nutritional Status Evaluation Form, and a copy of the manufacturer’s / Supplier’s. Invoice must be attached to the HCTA-1500) when billing for HCPCS codes B4154 and B4155.