Avatar Bulletin

Modifications to the Vital Signs Monitoring by Program Report

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As of July 6, 2015 providers record vital signs in the Vitals Entry form rather than the Health Monitoring form. (See Avatar Bulletin: Vitals Entry Form dated 06-24-15). The “Vital Signs Monitoring by Program Report” has been modified to reflect this change going forward. A new report “Vital Signs (pre 7/2015) Mon by Prog Rpt” was created to view vital signs measured prior to July 6, 2015.

Performance Objective
Clients who receive medication support should have vital signs – height, weight, and blood pressure – measured on a routine basis. At least 50% of all clients age 2 and over who received a medication support service will have vital signs recorded in the Vitals Entry form at least once during the fiscal year.

Report Changes/Information
1. Report Name: Vital Signs Monitoring by Program Report
   The report reflects the data entered on the new Vitals Entry form beginning 07/06/2015.

2. Report Name: Vital Signs (pre 7/2015) Mon by Prog Rpt
   The report reflects the data entered on the previous form – Health Monitoring – prior to 7/6/2015.

3. Menu Path both reports: Avatar CWS → MD and Health Monitoring

4. Report Highlights:
   • Report may be run by Prescribers, Clinic Supervisors and designated administrative staff.
   • Report is based on Attending Practitioner/Physician caseload. Clients with no Attending Practitioner for an episode appear on the first page of the report.
   • Report is separated by Attending Practitioner to allow distribution amongst staff.
   • For each Attending Practitioner, report presents a list of clients who received at least one medication support service during the time period selected. Then, it checks for vital signs recorded from July 1 of the corresponding fiscal year through the end date selected.
   • For each client, report displays date of most recent medication service within date parameters entered, discharge date (if applicable), and checkboxes for BP, Weight, Height, all 3 present.
   • Specific Vital Sign box is checked if at least one such measure is recorded in the “Vitals Entry”.
   • A summary is included for each Attending Practitioner – including the number of clients with a medical support service, number for each vital sign present, number with all 3 present, per cent of all 3 present, number with all 3 not present.
   • The same summary is calculated for the program as a whole, presented on the last page.

Need Help?
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