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Hospital Case Management Acronym Guide

Common Language You'll Encounter in Acute Care

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Acronym	Common Meaning
ADL	Activities of Daily Living
ALF	Assisted Living Facility
APS	Adult Protective Services
CM	Case Management / Case Manager
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
DME	Durable Medical Equipment
EDD	Expected or Estimated Date of Discharge
ED	Emergency Department
EMR/EHR	Electronic Medical/Health Record
HHC/HH	Home Health Care / Home Health
H&P	History and Physical
IADL	Instrumental Activities of Daily Living
ICU	Intensive Care Unit
IDR	Interdisciplinary Rounds
IRF	Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility
LOS	Length of Stay
LTACH	Long-Term Acute Care Hospital
LTC	Long-Term Care
NOK	Next of Kin
OT	Occupational Therapy / Occupational Therapist
PCP	Primary Care Provider
PLOF	Prior Level of Function
PT	Physical Therapy / Physical Therapist
SDOH	Social Determinants of Health
SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility
SW	Social Work / Social Worker
TOC	Transition of Care
UM	Utilization Management

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ADD YOUR ORGANIZATION'S TERMINOLOGY

Acronym	Meaning

Important

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