

**MAKING THE “MINIMUM DATA SET” COMPLIANT
WITH HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
STANDARDS**

ATTACHMENT A:

**BIPA, Sec. 545. DEVELOPMENT OF PATIENT
ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS**

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- (a) DEVELOPMENT--
- (1) IN GENERAL--Not later than January 1, 2005, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall submit to the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Finance of the Senate a report on the development of standard instruments for the assessment of the health and functional status of patients, for whom items and services described in subsection (b) are furnished, and include in the report a recommendation on the use of such standard instruments for payment purposes.
 - (2) DESIGN FOR COMPARISON OF COMMON ELEMENTS--The Secretary shall design such standard instruments in a manner such that--
 - (A) elements that are common to the items and services described in subsection (b) may be readily comparable and are statistically compatible;
 - (B) only elements necessary to meet program objectives are collected; and
 - (C) the standard instruments supersede any other assessment instrument used before that date.
 - (3) CONSULTATION--In developing an assessment instrument under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall consult with the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, and qualified organizations representing providers of services and suppliers under title XVIII.
- (b) DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES--For purposes of subsection (a), items and services described in this subsection are those items and services furnished to individuals entitled to benefits under part A, or enrolled under part B, or both of title XVIII of the Social Security Act for which payment is made under such title, and include the following:
- (1) Inpatient and outpatient hospital services.
 - (2) Inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation services.
 - (3) Covered skilled nursing facility services.
 - (4) Home health services.
 - (5) Physical or occupational therapy or speech-language pathology services.
 - (6) Items and services furnished to such individuals determined to have end stage renal disease.
 - (7) Partial hospitalization services and other mental health services.
 - (8) Any other service for which payment is made under such title as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

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