Documentation of Face-to-Face Encounter

Addendum to Home Health Plan of Care

1. Patient Name and Identification:

2. Date of Face to Face Encounter: I certify that this patient is under my care and that I, or an allowed non-physician practitioner working with me, had a face-to-face encounter with the patient on the date specified below. Medicare’s allowed non-physician practitioners are PAs, NPs, CNSs, and nurse midwives.

Month / Day / Year:____________________________________________________________________

3. The encounter with the patient was in whole, or in part, for the following medical condition, which is the primary reason for home health care.

List Medical Condition:____________________________________________________________________

4. Based on clinical findings of this encounter, I certify the following services are medically necessary.

   [ ] Nursing     [ ] Physical Therapy     [ ] Speech Language Pathology

   [ ] Other Specify:_________________________________________________________

5. Based on clinical findings of this encounter, the patient has a need for these skilled services because:

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6. Based on clinical findings of this encounter, I certify this patient meets the definition of homebound (i.e. absences from home require considerable & taxing effort, are infrequent and of short duration, usually related to medical reasons/religious services) because:

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Physician Signature:_________________________________________________________ Date:_____________________

Printed Name:____________________________________________________________________