



**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSESSMENT FORM (PTAF)**

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Consumer Name/
MIS Number

DD Center Name/
Cottage Name

Respondent Name/
Respondent ID Number

Date Completed

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PURPOSE

THIS ASSESSMENT COLLECTS FACTUAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONSUMER.

**YOU CAN HELP BY ANSWERING SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS INDIVIDUAL
BECAUSE OF YOUR SPECIALIZED EXPERTISE AND TRAINING.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM ON THE BASIS OF YOUR OBSERVATION OF THE CONSUMER'S RECENT ACTUAL
FUNCTIONING OR SITUATION, NOT ON WHAT YOU THINK MIGHT BE POSSIBLE IN THE FUTURE.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

1. Please provide information on the **consumer's medical status** by completing the following 3 sections as described below.
 - A. Please circle whether or not the consumer has had the following **DIAGNOSED** condition or illness in the **last 2 years**.
 - B. **ONLY IF CONSUMER HAS CURRENT DIAGNOSIS**, circle whether consumer has seen or been reviewed by a doctor during the **last 3 months SPECIFICALLY** for this condition.
 - C. **ONLY IF CONSUMER HAS CURRENT DIAGNOSIS**, circle whether **THIS CONDITION** needs medical attention by a doctor **more often than once per year**.

		IF HAS CONDITION(S), ANSWER BOTH					
A. Has Condition?		B. Seen or Reviewed by Doctor in the Last 3 Months for this Condition?		C. Condition Needs Medical Attention More Than Yearly ?			
<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>		
Muscular-Skeletal Conditions such as muscular difficulties with the arms and/or legs, arthritis, osteoporosis?		0	1	0	1	0	1

2. Which best describes the consumer's **mobility** with each of the following tasks in the **last 4 weeks**?

	<u>NOT ABLE</u>	<u>NEEDED HELP</u>	<u>INDEPENDENTLY</u>
a. Rolling from back to stomach	0	1	2
b. Pulling self to standing	0	1	2
c. Going up stairs	0	1	2
d. Going down stairs	0	1	2
e. Picking up small objects	0	1	2
f. Transferring an object from hand to hand	0	1	2
g. Crawling, creeping, or scooting such as getting something from under a bed or chair	0	1	2
h. Sitting without support such as on a stool or piano bench for at least 5 minutes	0	1	2

3. Which answer **best** describes the consumer's level of **walking** mobility in the **last 4 weeks**?

0. Can not walk by self or with assistance
1. Walks only with assistance from another person (with or without a corrective device)
2. Walks independently with corrective device (walker, crutches, brace)
3. Walks independently, but with difficulty (no corrective device)
4. Walks independently

4. Does the consumer use a wheelchair or electric scooter?

- 0. Yes, uses at all times (if yes, go to question #5)
- 1. Yes, uses for long trips or as needed (if yes, go to question #5)
- 2. No, does not use (if no, go to question #8)

5. Please indicate which of the following have been used by the consumer in the **last 4 weeks**.

IF PRESCRIBED, BUT NOT USED BY CONSUMER IN THE LAST 4 WEEKS, ANSWER "NO."

	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>
a. Non-motorized Wheelchair	0	1
b. Motorized Wheelchair	0	1
c. Electric Scooter	0	1

6. Which answer **best** describes the consumer's ability to **transfer himself/herself** in or out of the wheelchair/scooter?

- 0. Regularly required the use of a hooyer or other lift and/or more than one other person when transferring
- 1. Needs a lot of physical assistance from or to be lifted by one other person when transferring
- 2. Needs only minimal assistance from one other person when transferring
- 3. Can transfer independently without assistance

7. Which **best** describes the consumer's ability to **move his/her wheelchair/scooter** from place to place?

- 0. Has no independent wheelchair mobility – needs someone to push him/her from place to place
- 1. Can move wheelchair back and forth with hands or feet, but requires pushing to move from place to place for any real distance
- 2. Can move wheelchair independently from place to place without assistance, but requires pushing for long distances
- 3. Can move wheelchair independently from place to place without assistance and requires no assistance even for longer distances

	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>
8. Please indicate whether the consumer has received physical therapy in the last 3 months in any setting.	0	1
9. Regardless of where the consumer lives, what services might be necessary, if any, from a physical therapist?		
1. None Needed		
2. Needed on an Occasional Basis		
3. Needed on a Frequent Basis		

10. Please indicate any **adaptive or special equipment** that the consumer used at any time in the **last 3 months**.

IF PRESCRIBED, BUT NOT USED BY CONSUMER IN THE LAST 3 MONTHS, ANSWER "NO."

	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>
a. Walker?	0	1
b. Crutches or cane?	0	1
c. Brace/splint?	0	1
d. Prescribed orthotics or prescribed orthopedic shoes?	0	1
e. Special Bed or Bed Modifications? (e.g., side rails, special mattress, elevation)	0	1

Thank you for your assistance!