SBAR Antipsychotic Medication Reduction





Before calling the attending physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant:		
☐ Evaluate the resident and document in the SBAR form.		☐ Review chart: recent progress notes, labs, orders.
☐ Have relevant information available when reporting (e.g., identify needs-driven expressions, behaviors, falls, medications, disease, adverse drug reactions, interdisciplinary team recommendations, etc.).		
SITUATION	The symptom I'm calling about is: Violent/self-destructive behavior Unpleasant hallucinations Suicidal ideations/attempts Physically abusive Other:	The symptom/why the call was initiated: What are the contributing factors that make it worse? What are the contributing factors that make it better? What are other things that have occurred with this change? This symptom has gotten worse better stayed the same since it started.
BACKGROUND	Primary diagnosis and/or reason for antipsychotic medication use:	
ASSESSMENT	What do you think is going on with the resident? (e.g., cardiac, infection, respiratory, urinary, dehydration, mental status change, medication side effects or adverse reaction?) The resident appears: The interdisciplinary team (IDT) met and recommended: Alternatives tried include: Alternatives tried include: Changing or eliminating bothersome approaches Frequent reorientation to surroundings Offering person-centered activities (social HX) Schedule checks for pain, food, or comfort Anticipate resident voiding needs Modify environment Other:	
REQUEST	I suggest or request (check all that apply): □ Comprehensive facility IDT evaluation □ Provider visit (MD/NP/PA) □ Monitor vital signs and observe □ Lab work, X-rays, EKG, other tests □ Physical therapy evaluation □ Speech therapy evaluation □ Occupational therapy evaluation □ Pharmacy medication review □ Social consultant review □ Activity consultant review □ Psychiatric evaluation □ Other □	
Nurse's name and signature:RN/LVN		
MD/NP/PA notified. Name: (MD/NP/PA)		Date/ Timea.m./p.m.
Resident name:	Resident name: Room number:	

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