



Nursing Home Improvement Feedback Tool (NHIFT)

A free computer-based audit and feedback tool

What is NHIFT?

NHIFT (pronounced “nifty”) is a free computer-based audit and feedback tool that allows you to enter medical records data and view your nursing home’s adherence to a series of process measure scores. Available to nursing homes nationwide beginning in early 2006, NHIFT allows you to conduct chart audits, submit data, and then view your adherence to care processes identified by experts as critical for high-quality care related to the following four clinical topics:

1. Depression
2. Pain
3. Physical restraints
4. Pressure ulcers

What are you achieving? Where can you improve?

NHIFT Principles

NHIFT was developed with funding from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), but is intended solely for your nursing home’s internal use. Nursing homes will not be evaluated on their process measure scores. In addition, NHIFT adheres to three principles:

1. Use of the site is voluntary
2. NHIFT submission is secure and HIPAA-compliant
3. Data is confidential and CMS will not view an individual home’s data

Evidence-based Care

At *gmc*f we know that providing your residents with high-quality care is your top priority. As Georgia’s quality improvement organization (QIO), we want to provide you with free tools to make your job easier. We believe that examining your nursing homes’ adherence to recommended care processes can help you continually raise the bar for quality in your nursing home. We encourage you to incorporate data into your internal quality improvement process by using NHIFT to collect data, view your process measure scores, and compare your performance to your state and national peers’ aggregate scores.

The Right Care
for Every Person
Every Time



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Getting Started

There are 3 ways to get started...

1. Visit NHIFT on the Web at www.MedQIC.org or www.qnetexchange.org
2. Contact *gmcf* at 800-982-0411, ext. 2041
3. Complete the information below and fax back to 678-527-3030

NHIFT Requirements

NHIFT is free and you can download it at www.MedQIC.org. In order to install NHIFT, your computer must have the following requirements, which are the same as the requirements for the new RAVEN system:

- 500 MHZ processor
- 256 megabytes of RAM
- 1 gigabyte hard drive space available
- Windows 2000

YES, I want a free computer-based audit and feedback tool to enter medical records data and keep track of my nursing home's process measure scores.

Name _____ Title _____

Nursing Home _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Clinical Area of Interest _____

Fax to **678-527-3030**
Attention: Nursing Home Team

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