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Q: Is there a state or federal CMS requirement that there be a sign-in sheet for care plan meetings?

A: F280 contains interpretive guidelines and probes, which, in part, state: “As used in this requirement, “Interdisciplinary” means that professional disciplines, as appropriate, will work together to provide the greatest benefit to the resident. It does not mean that every goal must have an interdisciplinary approach. The mechanics of how the interdisciplinary team meets its responsibilities in developing an interdisciplinary care plan (e.g., a face-to-face meeting, teleconference, written communication) is at the discretion of the facility.”

Probes

1. Was interdisciplinary expertise utilized to develop a plan to improve the resident’s functional abilities?
   c. Is there evidence of physician involvement in the development of the care plan (e.g., presence at care plan meetings, conversations with team members concerning the care plan, conference calls)?

2. In what ways do staff involve residents and families, surrogates, and/or representatives in care planning?

How the facility elects to demonstrate this involvement is not specified.