Q: When is a resident’s transfer or discharge considered a facility discharge or a resident-initiated discharge?

A: For a transfer or discharge to be considered resident-initiated: The medical record should contain; (1) documentation or evidence of the resident’s or resident representative’s verbal or written notice of intent to leave the facility, (2) a discharge plan, and (3) documented discussions with the resident or, if appropriate, his/her representative, containing details of discharge planning and arrangements for post-discharge care (see F623 guidance).