

New Stroke Data Field in DAD CIHI Special Project 740: AlphaFIM® Instrument

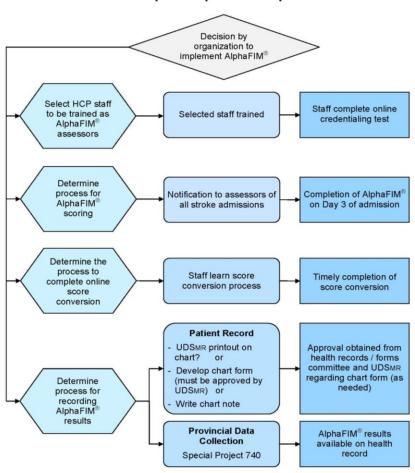
Project Update March 20, 2014 - Delay in Start Date

You previously received a communication indicating that as of April 1st, 2014 CIHI Special Project 740 for the collection of AlphaFIM[®] Instrument data would be mandatory for all acute stroke admissions in Ontario. We wish to inform you that the timing for implementation of CIHI Special Project 740: AlphaFIM[®] Instrument has been delayed and **will not be commencing on April 1st as planned**. CIHI is continuing their conversations with Uniform Data System for Medical Rehabilitation (UDS_{MR}) to reach agreement on how to best support the collection and storage of data provincially.

While awaiting confirmation of the start date, if your organization has not yet implemented the completion of AlphaFIM® Instrument on stroke patients, the flow chart below illustrates basic preparatory steps needed to support this process.

Overview of Steps to AlphaFIM® Implementation

Feedback from health care professionals (HCPs) indicated that scoring a minimum of two patients per month was necessary to maintain competency as a certified AlphaFIM[®] assessor.



Please contact the Ontario Stroke Network for more information on implementing the AlphaFIM[®] for acute stroke admissions at your organization:

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