

# Evaluation Components for Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy

## Low Complexity

- History – A history of present problem with no personal factors and/or comorbidities that impact plan of care
- Examination – An examination of body systems using standardized tests and measures in addressing 1 or 2 elements from any of the following: body structures and functions, activity limitations, and/or participation restrictions
- Clinical Presentation – A clinical presentation with stable and/or uncomplicated characteristics
- Decision Making – Clinical decision making of low complexity using standardized patient assessment instrument and/or measurable assessment of functional outcome
- Time – Typically, 20 minutes are spent face-to-face with patient and/or family

## Moderate Complexity

- History – A history of present problem with 1-2 personal factors and/or comorbidities that impact plan of care
- Examination – An examination of body systems using standardized tests and measures in addressing the total of 4 or more elements from any of the following: body structures and functions, activity limitations, and/or participation restrictions
- Clinical Presentation – An evolving clinical presentation with changing characteristics
- Decision Making – Clinical decision making of moderate complexity using standardized patient assessment instrument and/or measurable assessment of functional outcome
- Time – Typically, 30 minutes are spent face-to-face with patient and/or family

## High Complexity

- History – A history of present problem with 3 or more personal factors and/or comorbidities that impact plan of care
- Examination — An examination of body systems using standardized tests and measures in addressing the total of 3 or more elements from any of the following: body structures and functions, activity limitations, and/or participation restrictions
- Clinical Presentation – A clinical presentation with unstable and unpredictable characteristics
- Decision Making – Clinical decision making of high complexity using standardized patient assessment instrument and/or measurable assessment of functional outcome
- Time – Typically, 45 minutes are spent face-to-face with patient and/or family