

Grid to evaluate the quality of clinical medical records



RECORD CARD N:.....

DETECTOR SIGNATURE

Medical [] Surgical [] Other [] WARD

LW. Legal weight (Score from 5 to 1) taking into consideration the percentages of recurrence of each criteria in judgments (Appeal to the Supreme Court). 5> 40% 4= 30-40%

3= 20-30% 2= 10-20%

1= at least once per year

FIRST SECTION (ADMINISTRATIVE DATA AND THE CLINICAL INFORMATION)

QUEST	TION N.	YES [The Guide to evaluate if criteria are satisfied]	NO	PARTIAL EVALUATION*	NOT APPLICABLE
1	Is the hospital discharge data (HDD) present in the record?	YES [YES= the HDD must be present in the clinical file]	NO 🗆	11	//
la	Has the HDD been signed by the responsible doctor?	YES [YES= when the signature or initials are present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [if the answer to question 1 is NO]
2	Is present the privacy form (signed and dated always).	YES □ [YES= when the privacy form is present completed of date and signature]	NO 🗆	11	
3	Is the personal data of the patient complete?	YES □ [YES= if the name, surname, date of birth and telephone number are present]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION 🗆	//
4	Does the patient enter into a "fragile" category? L.W. 4	YES □ [YES= when the patient belongs to one of the following categories: homeless, non-European, drug dependent, psychiatric, old aged or infant, handicapped, regressive cerebral processes, immune deficient]	NO 🗆	//	//
5	Is the patient's occupation recorded?	YES [YES= when it is clearly recorded in the file]	NO 🗆	11	//
6	Is the file organized chronologically? (always) L.W. 3	YES □ [YES= the data is organized in chronological order]	NO 🗆	11	//
7	Is the diagnosis upon reception into hospital recorded? (always) L.W. 3	YES □ [YES= the diagnosis upon reception must be present (YES it is present on the first aid record or on the ward record)]	NO 🗆	11	//
8	Was the evaluation of the patient carried out within 24 hours of their admission? (always) L.W. 5	YES [YES= the doctor's evaluation must be recorded in the daily diary within 24 hours of the patient's admission]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [Patient is discharged or self- discharged before the initial evaluation] due to
9	Does the initial evaluation include the following aspects? (history, objective tests, prescription of therapy, the request for diagnostic test).	YES [YES= if all the variables contained between the brackets are present in the file]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION D	11
	L.W. 5				

10	The fall risk: was the patient evacuate according to the Conley Scale within 72 hours of admission (when applicable**)	YES □ [YES = if it is present in the file]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION 🗆	
	L.W. 3				
11	Is the diet the patient has to follow present?	YES □ [YES= if the diet is written in the file]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION 🗆 If the diet is not recorded for	//
	L.W. 3			every day.	
12	Are the details about the patient's lifestyle (smoking, alcohol, education, etc.)?	YES □ [YES= When the file contains clear references to the consumption of alcohol, cigarettes, drugs]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION D	//
13	Does the file contain information about	YES	NO 🗆		//
13	allergies?	[YES= When the file contains clear references to any allergies to pharmaceuticals]		11	
14	Is the history present? (always)	YES	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE 🗆
-	(do not evaluate first aid record)	[YES= when it is present]			due to
	L.W. 5		_		
14a	Is the history written in legible handwriting? (always)	YES □ [YES= when it is readale]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 14 is NO] 🗆
	L.W. 3				
15	Is the physical examination present ?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ due to
15a	Does the physical examination include an	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	PARTIAL	NOT APPLICABLE
	evaluation of the state of consciousness, the functioning of the respiratory & cardiovascular systems and the location of any identified problems? (do not evaluate first aid record)	[YES= when the four variables are satisfactory]		EVALUATION [Evaluated with the exception of]	[if the answer to
	1.32/ 4				
15b	L.W. 4 Is the physical examination conducted on	YES	NO 🗆	PARTIAL	NOT APPLICABLE
0	admission signed/initialed? (always)	[YES= when the signature/initials are found on the ward record]		EVALUATION [when present only on the first aid record]	[if the answer to item 15 is NO] □
					NOT APPLICABLE
15c	Is the physical examination conducted on admission dated? (always)	YES □ [YES= when the date is present]	NO 🗆	1/	if the answer to
-	L.W. 3				
15d	Is the physical examination legible? (always) L.W. 3	YES □ [YES= when the handwriting of at least one of the contributors is legible]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 15 is NO] □
16	All the vital signs are measured?	YES	NO 🗆	PARTIAL	//
10	LW. 4	[YES = when the pulse rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure, and body heat are measured]		EVALUATION [Evaluated with the exception of]	
16a	All the vital signs are measured daily?	YES [YES= when the measurements are taken daily]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION [] [Not taken daily]	//
17	Is pain intensity assessed in the file? (only if the evaluation of pain scale is present)	YES □ [YES= if the pain scale is recorded in the file]	NO 🗆		//
	L.W. 4				
17a	Is pain intensity assessed on a daily basis?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION 🗆	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 17 is NO] 🗆
-0	L.W. 3				
18	Is there an evaluation of the water balance? (at least one day)	YES □ [YES= when at least one day is present]	NO 🗆	//	//
	L.W. 4				

SECOND SECTION (HOSPITALIZATION)

19	Is the daily diary present?	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	//	/
	(always) L.W. 4	[YES= if the diary is present in the file]			
19a	Is the daily diary present and annotated for each day in hospital? (always)	YES [YES= when for each day at least an annotation is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOTAPPLICABLE [if the answer to item 19 is NO] □
19b	L.W. 4 Are the annotations in the daily diary signed/initialed? (always)	YES □ [YES= when signature or initials are found]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 19 is NO] []
	L.W. 3				
20	Is the nursing card present in the clinical file?	YES □ [YES= if it is present inside the file]	NO 🗆	11	//
	L.W. 4				
20a	If the nursing card is present, is it annotated for each day in hospital?	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 20 is NO] 🗆
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20Ь	If YES are the annotations on the nursing card signed/initialed? (in the wards where they are adopted)	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 20 is NO] []
	L.W. 3				
21	Is the order sets paper (for medication therapy management) present?	YES □ [YES= if present inside the file]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION [] [If the therapy record present	//
	L.W. 4			does not conform to hospital procedures]	
21a	Is the order sets paper legible?	YES □ [YES= when it is readable]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 21 is NO] []
21b	The prescription or suspension of	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	PARTIAL	NOT APPLICABLE
	pharmaceuticals are signed or initialed by a doctor?	[YES= when a signature or initial is found on the prescription and suspension]		EVALUATION [if a signature or initial is found on the prescription or	[if the answer to item 21 is NO] □
21c	L.W. 3 Are the date and time of the prescription	VEC -	NO -	suspension] PARTIAL	NOT APPLICABLE
210	recorded? (in the wards where they are adopted)	YES □ [YES= when the date and time of the prescription are found]	NO 🗆	EVALUATION D	[if the answer to item 21 is NO] □
21d	L.W. 3 Are the date and time of the administration	VEC -	NO -	PARTIAL	NOT APPLICABLE
210	recorded?	YES [YES= when the date and time of the administration are found]	NO 🗆	EVALUATION [If only the date or time of the administration are	[if the answer to item 21 is NO] □
21e	Has the nurse signed or initialed the no administration explaining the reason with an appropriate key e.g. V=vomit, A=absent, etc (in the wards where they are adopted)	YES [YES= when the no administration is explained by a KEY and is signed or initialed]	NO 🗆	present] //	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 21 is NO] []
	L.W. 3				
21f	Has the nurse signed or initialed to confirm the administration? (in the wards where they are adopted)	YES [YES= when the administration is explained by a KEY and is signed or initialed]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 21 is NO] []
21g	L.W. 3 Are the allergies reported on medication therapy management?	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [if the answer to item 21 is NO] []
	L.W. 5				
22	Is the patient's informed consent specific for a transfusion present? (at least a copy)	YES [YES= when it is present and signed by both patient and doctor]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION □ [when missing the signature	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger
	L.W. 4			of the doctor or patient]	or a transfusion v not administered

22a	If the patient received a transfusion, is the card for the transfusion received present?	YES □ [YES = when it is present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [if a transfusion was
	L.W. 5				not administered]
22b	Are the labels from the transfusion bags present in the clinical diary?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE □ [if a transfusion was not administered]
	L.W. 5				
23	Did the patient undergo a surgical procedure?	YES [YES= when the patient underwent a surgical procedure]	NO 🗆	//	//
24	L.W.4 Is the informed consent of the patient for				
24	the surgical procedure present?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆		NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or the answer to item 23 is NO]
24a	Is the signature of the patient present on the informed consent form? (if a surgical procedure was undertaken) L.W. 5	YES [] [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or the answer to item 23 is
24b	Is the signature of the surgeon present on	VEC -	NO -		NO]
240	the informed consent form? (if a surgical procedure was undertaken)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆		NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or the answer to item 23 is NO]
24c	On the informed consent, form for the	YES 🗆	NO 🗆		NOT APPLICABLE
- 10	surgical procedure was the type of procedure undertaken clearly stated. (if a surgical procedure was undertaken)	[YES= when the type of procedure is described]			[If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or the answer to item 23 is
	L.W. 5				NO]
24d	On the informed consent, form for the surgical procedure was the date of the procedure stated? (if a surgical procedure was undertaken)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or the answer to item 23 is NO]
25	Is an informed consent form for anesthetic present? (if a surgical procedure was undertaken) L.W. 4	YES □ [YES= when a single form with both the surgeon's and anesthetist's signatures is present]	NO 🗆	PARTIAL EVALUATION □ [when the form is signed by only the surgeon or by the anesthetist]	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or in case of a local anesthetic which does not require informed consent]
25a	Is the signature of the patient present on the informed consent form for anesthetic? (if a surgical procedure was undertaken)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 25 is NO or is NOT APPLICABLE]
25b	L.W. 5 Is the signature of the anesthetist present on the informed consent form for anesthetic? (if a surgical procedure was undertaken)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆		NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the answer to item 25 is NO or is NOT APPLICABLE]
	L.W.4				
25c	On the informed consent, form for the anesthetic is the type of anesthetic clearly stated? (if a surgical procedure was undertaken) L.W. 5	YES □ [YES= when the type of procedure is described]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the answer to item 25 is NO or is NOT APPLICABLE]
25d	On the informed consent, form for the anesthetic is the date of the anesthesia clearly stated. (if a surgical procedure was undertaken)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆		NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the answer to item 25 is NO or is NOT APPLICABLE]
	L.W. 4				
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26	Did the patient undergo an invasive procedure?	YES □ [YES= when the patient underwent	NO 🗆	//	
		an invasive procedure]			
27	L.W. 4 Is the informed consent of the patient for the invasive procedure present?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [If the patient was
	L.W. 5				in immediate danger of dying or the answer to item 26 is NO]
27a	Is the signature of the patient present on the informed consent form for an invasive procedure? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the answer to item 26 is NO or is NOT APPLICABLE]
27b	 L.W. 5 Is the signature of the doctor present on the informed consent form for an invasive procedure? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken) L.W. 4 	YES [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or the answer to item 26 is NO]
27c	On the informed consent, form for the invasive procedure was the type of procedure undertaken clearly stated? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken) L.W. 5	YES 🗆 [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the answer to item 26 is NO or is NOT APPLICABLE]
27d	On the informed consent, form for the invasive procedure was the date of procedure clearly stated. (if an invasive procedure was undertaken)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 26 is NO or is NOT APPLICABLE]
28	Is an informed consent form for anesthetic	YES	NO 🗆	PARTIAL	NOT APPLICABLE
	present? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken) L.W. 5	[YES= when a single form with both the surgeon's and anesthetist's signatures is present]		EVALUATION [when the form is signed by only the surgeon or by the anesthetist]	[If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or if the answer to item 26 is
					NO]
28a	Is the signature of the patient present on the informed consent form for anesthetic? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken) L.W. 5	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or if the answer to item 28 is NO]
28b	Is the signature of the anesthetist present on the informed consent form for anesthetic? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken) L.W. 4	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or if the answer to item 28 is NO]
28c	On the informed consent, form for the anesthetic is the type of anesthetic clearly stated? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken) L.W. 5	YES [YES= when the type of procedure is described]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or if the answer to item 28 is NO]
28d	On the informed consent, form for the anesthetic is the date of the anesthesia clearly stated? (if an invasive procedure was undertaken)	YES [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying or if the answer to item 28 is NO]
29	Is a cardiology assessment present?	YES [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NO] NOT APPLICABLE □ [If the patient was in immediate danger of dying]
30	Is the anesthesia documentation or file present or attached?	YES [There must be a generic or specific form present signed by the anesthetist]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [if no anesthetic was administered]

30a	In the anesthesia, documentation or file is the intra-operative monitoring included? (if an anesthetic was administered)	YES [YES= when intra-operative monitoring is present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 30 is NO]
	L.W. 5				
31	In the operating report is the first surgeon identifiable? (the name must be legible?)	YES □ [YES= when the signature of the first surgeon is legible]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE □ [if no procedure was undertaken]
32	In the operating report is the date of the procedure clearly stated?	YES □ [YES= when the date is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [if no procedure was undertaken]
33	L.W. 4 In the operating report is the type of the procedure undertaken clearly stated? L.W. 5	YES [YES= when the procedure undertaken is described]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [if no procedure was undertaken]
34	Is the anatomical pathology report present? (if a request for a surgical or biopsy procedure was made) L.W. 5	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the patient underwent a procedure or biopsy]
35	Is an operating theatre security checklist present?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [if no procedure was undertaken]
35a	L.W. 5 If YES, is the operating theatre security checklist signed or initialed by the surgeon? L.W. 4	YES [YES= when the surgeon's signature or initials are present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE □ [if no procedure was undertaken]
35b	If YES, is the operating theatre security checklist signed or initialed by the anesthetist?	YES □ [YES= when the anesthetist's signature or initials are present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE □ [if no procedure was undertaken]
	L.W. 4				
35c	If YES, is the operating theatre security checklist signed or initialed by the nurse?	YES [YES= when the nurse's signature or initials are present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE □ [if no procedure was undertaken]
	L.W. 4				
36	Was a thromboembolic prophylaxis performed on the patient who underwent the surgical procedure?	YES □ [YES= if the file contains EBPM subcutaneous (e.g. clexane)]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE D Due to
	L.W. 5				
36a	If NO is a reason clearly stated on file? L.W. 5	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	//	//

THIRD SECTION (DICHARGE LETTER)

37	Is the discharge summary present? (always)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO□	11	NOT APPLICABLE
	L.W. 5				[e.g. patient refuses hospital admission]
37a	Is the discharge summary dated? (always)	YES □ [YES = when the date is present]	NO 🗆	//	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 4				
37b	Is the reporting doctor identifiable (legible)? (always)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 4				
37c	Is there a descriptive summary of the Medical history? (always)	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 3				
37d	On the discharge card is the reason for hospitalization clearly stated?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
270	L.W. 3 Does the discharge card include details of	NEC -	NO -	PARTIAL	
37e	the physical examinations and the development of the clinical situation?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	EVALUATION [if the physical examination or the development of the	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 3			clinical situation are present]	
37f	Does the discharge card include the	YES 🗆	NO 🗆	PARTIAL	NOT APPLICABLE 🗆
	diagnosis upon discharge and co-morbidity?	[YES= when it is present]		EVALUATION (if the discharge diagnosis or	[If the answer to
27~	L.W. 4 Does the discharge card include the	NEC -	10 -	co-morbidity are present]	
37g	diagnostic and therapeutic procedures followed?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 4				
37h	Does the discharge card describe the patient's condition upon discharge?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 4				-
37i	Does the discharge card detail the pharmaceutical therapy to be taken at home?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 5				
371	Does the discharge card specify eventual follow-up?	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [If the answer to item 37 is NO]
	L.W. 5				

FOURTH SECTION (MEDICAL ADVICES)

38	Does the clinical file include Consultant referrals and/or reports? L.W. 5	YES □ [YES= when it is present]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [No medical advice is present]
38a	Are any consultant reports signed legibly and stamped with the Consultant's name? L.W. 4	YES □ [YES= when the signatures are readable]	NO 🗆	EVALUATION	NOT APPLICABLE [No medical advice is present]
38b	Are consultancy reports legible?	YES □ [YES= when medical advice are readable]	NO 🗆	11	NOT APPLICABLE [No medical advice is present]

Legend: *Insert the missing variable; //= field is not provided;** patient over 65 years old and/or when it is satisfied at least one of the three WHO parameters.