

A PROJECT TO DEVELOP AN OUTCOME-BASED CONTINUOUS  
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT SYSTEM AND CORE OUTCOME AND  
COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT DATA SET FOR PACE

**DRAFT COCOA DATA SET  
HOME ENVIRONMENT ASSESSMENT  
FORM**

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Site ID

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Participant ID

# FIRST PHASE RELIABILITY TEST DRAFT HOME ENVIRONMENT ASSESSMENT FORM

1. **Participant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (MI) (Suffix)

2. **Date Assessment Completed:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
month day year

3. **Reason for Assessment:**

- ☐ 1 - Initial assessment
- ☐ 2 - Reassessment
- ☐ 3 - Annual reassessment

4. **Staff Member Completing Assessment (Name):** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First)

5. **Structural Barriers** in the participant's environment limiting independent mobility: **(Mark all that apply.)**

- ☐ 0 - None
- ☐ 1 - Stairs inside home which must be used by the participant (e.g., to get to toileting, sleeping, eating areas)
- ☐ 2 - Stairs inside home which are used optionally (e.g., to get to laundry facilities)
- ☐ 3 - Stairs leading from inside house to outside
- ☐ 4 - Narrow or obstructed doorways
- ☐ 5 - Narrow or obstructed walkways
- ☐ 6 - Other (specify)

**Comments (if checked):**

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6. **Ramp:** Is there a ramp between outside and inside of house/residence?

- ☐ 0 - No
- ☐ 1 - Yes

Notes (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

7. **Kitchen Safety:** Do you suspect the participant follows unsafe kitchen practices or has an unsafe kitchen environment?

- ☐ 0 - No
- ☐ 1 - Yes
- ☐ NA - Participant does not have access to cooking facilities

Notes (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

8a. **Safety Hazards** found in the participant's current place of residence: **(Mark all that apply.)**

**Comments (if checked):**

- ☐ 0 - None
- ☐ 1 - Inadequate floor, roof, or windows
- ☐ 2 - Inadequate lighting
- ☐ 3 - Unsafe gas/electric appliance
- ☐ 4 - Inadequate heating
- ☐ 5 - Inadequate cooling
- ☐ 6 - Lack of fire safety devices
- ☐ 7 - Unsafe floor coverings
- ☐ 8 - Inadequate stairs or stair railings
- ☐ 9 - Lack of security locks on doors and windows
- ☐ 10 - Electrical cords improperly placed
- ☐ 11 - Other (specify):

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b. **Sanitation Hazards** found in the participant's current place of residence: **(Mark all that apply.)**

**Comments (if checked):**

- ☐ 0 - None
- ☐ 1 - No running water
- ☐ 2 - Contaminated water
- ☐ 3 - No toileting facilities
- ☐ 4 - Outdoor toileting facilities only
- ☐ 5 - Inadequate sewage disposal
- ☐ 6 - Inadequate/improper food storage
- ☐ 7 - No food refrigeration
- ☐ 8 - No cooking facilities
- ☐ 9 - Insects/rodents present
- ☐ 10 - No scheduled trash pickup
- ☐ 11 - Cluttered/soiled living area
- ☐ 12 - Other (specify):

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9. **Firearms in Home:**

- a. Are firearms kept in the home? ☐ 0 - No [ **Go to Item 10** ] ☐ 1 - Yes
- b. Are firearms securely locked? ☐ 0 - No ☐ 1 - Yes
- c. Is the ammunition stored and locked away separately? ☐ 0 - No ☐ 1 - Yes

Notes (e.g., safety concerns regarding firearms, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

10. **Telephone Access:** Does the participant have home access to a working telephone?

- ☐ 0 - No telephone access
- ☐ 1 - Phone accessible in home, apartment, or room
- ☐ 2 - Phone accessible in central facility area but not in own room

Notes (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

11a. **Pets in Home: (Mark all that apply.)**

- ☐ 0 - No pets [ Go to Item 12 ]
- ☐ 1 - Cat(s)
- ☐ 2 - Dog(s)
- ☐ 3 - Bird(s)
- ☐ 4 - Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

b. Is **Pet(s) Important to Participant** (e.g., emotional attachment, companionship)?

- ☐ 0 - No
- ☐ 1 - Yes

Notes (e.g., number of each, pet names): \_\_\_\_\_

c. Does **Pet Interfere** with participant's ability to maneuver around his/her living environment safely?

- ☐ 0 - No
- ☐ 1 - Yes (Explain): \_\_\_\_\_

d. Does participant **Properly Care for Pet(s)**?

- ☐ 0 - No (Explain): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ 1 - Yes
- ☐ NA - Someone else is responsible for care of pet(s)

Notes (e.g., other concerns regarding pets, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

12. **Special Equipment/Assistive Devices:** Does the participant have or need any of the following special equipment or aids? **(Mark all that apply.)**

	Has and uses	Has, but does not use	Needs and does not have	Needs training	Ownership		
					Client	Rental	PACE Site
Prosthesis (type): _____							
Cane, crutches							
Walker (type): _____							
Wheelchair							
Brace (leg/back)							
Hearing aid							
Glasses							
Contact lenses							
Dentures							
Lifeline							
Hospital bed							
Bedside commode							
Bathing equipment							
Toilet equipment							
Transfer equipment							
Adaptive eating equipment							
Dressing/grooming aids							
Grab bars							
Side rails							
Trapeze							
Pressure relief devices							
Specialized mattress							
Oxygen equipment							
Orthotic positioning device							
Disposable medical supplies							
Other (specify): _____							
Other (specify): _____							

- ☐ NA - Participant does not have or need any special equipment/assistive devices.

Notes (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

**The following information should be completed by the PACE care provider or staff member after completing the COCOA form.**

1. Estimated form completion time (in minutes): \_\_\_\_\_
2. Approximate time of day assessment completed:
  - ☐ 1 - Morning
  - ☐ 2 - Afternoon
  - ☐ 3 - Evening
3. Location where assessment was completed:
  - ☐ 1 - Day health center [ **Go to Item 4** ]
  - ☐ 2 - Participant residence [ **Stop Here** ]
4. Is this a day the participant typically attends the day health center?
  - ☐ 0 - No
  - ☐ 1 - Yes

**Please return the completed form to your site's Data Collection Coordinator.**

**Thank you for your participation.**