

Caregiver Communication

Use this as a guide when there is a handoff between caregivers. The communication between caregivers should be **clear, concise, and factual**.

Personal Care

- Issues with toileting, bathing, repositioning / turning – sharing any discomfort noted or shared, skin redness, bowel movements (constipation or diarrhea), and urination (issues with passing water)
- Issues with dressing, walking or movement

Medication

- Tolerance of routine medication
- Review the Medication Administration List (MAR)
 - Noting last doses of medications given
 - Need for pain or symptom management medications
- Breakthrough pain or uncontrolled symptoms

Food & Nutrition

- Amount and type of food and liquids taken
- Difficulty eating or swallowing
- Requests for special foods or foods to be limited

Any other issues

- Caregiver concerns
- Visitor encouragement or restriction
- Special requests