

## Appendix 2

### Needs Assessment Questionnaire

*“Hi, this is nurse X. I am from the Phillips Lifeline CareSage study team. Would you have a few minutes to do a quick check-in on your health as a part of the study?”*

If patient response is:

- a. “No”- Schedule another triage call at a time convenient for the patient.
- b. “Yes”- Continue assessment using the questions below

#### **Section A: Patient Information (pre-populated)**

1. What is your name?

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2. Who is your Primary Care Provider Name?

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3. Date of Assessment:

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#### **Section B: General Health Information**

1. How are you feeling today?

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2. Have you seen your PCP lately? Why?

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3. If **NO**, do you have any visits to the PCP scheduled?

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4. Are you currently experiencing any health problems?

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5. Are you taking all the medications prescribed by your doctor?

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6. Do you need a refill of any of your current medications?

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**Notes:**

<b>Reviewed list of current medications:</b>	<b>Status:</b>	<b>Clinical Recommendations:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Yes</li><li>• No</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Change</li><li>• No change</li></ul>	

**Section C: Risk Assessment**

**General Symptom Assessment**

1. Have you had any fever in the last 72 hours?

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2. Have you noticed any changes in your appetite (overeating or not eating enough)?

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3. Do you currently experience nausea or vomiting after eating?

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4. Do you feel any fatigue/ tiredness lately?

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5. Have you experienced any dizziness or black outs lately?

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### Activity Assessment

1. Do you engage in exercise at least two to three times in a week?

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2. Describe the type of exercise?

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**If the patient does not exercise, then:**

3. Do you understand how regular exercise can benefit you?

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4. Have any of your physicians spoken to you about the benefits of exercising regularly?

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### Respiratory Symptom Assessment

1. Are you currently experiencing any shortness of breath/ difficulty in breathing?

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2. Do you have currently have any cough?

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3. Can you climb up a flight of stairs or walk at least 100 yards without losing your breath?

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4. Do you feel any tightness in your chest?

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5. Do you feel tired all the time or for the most part of the day?

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### Mental Health Assessment (PHQ-2)

1. Over the past 2 weeks, have you been bothered by having little or no pleasure in doing things? (**Score 0-3**, 0= Not at all, 1= several days, 2= More than half days, 3= Nearly every day)

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2. Over the past 2 weeks, have you been feeling down, depressed, hopeless? (**Score 0-3**, 0= Not at all, 1= several days, 2= More than half days, 3= Nearly every day)

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### Daily Activity Assessment

1. Are you currently experiencing any difficulty doing your activities of daily life such as dressing, eating, bathing?

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2. Do you have troubling falling asleep?

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### Pain Assessment

1. Are you currently experiencing pain in any part of your body (except minor headaches, toothaches and sprains)?

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**If patient complains of pain:**

2. Is this a new or recurring pain?

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3. Where is the site of the pain?

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3. Describe the pain: Is it sharp, dull, aching, burning, or crushing?

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4. On a scale of 1 (mild) to 10 (worst pain you can imagine), please rate the intensity of your pain.

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5. Are you currently receiving any medication for your pain? Who prescribed it?

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## Bladder Control Assessment

1. Do you have a sudden urge to urinate with no or little warning?

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2. Do you experience any pain while urinating?

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3. Do you feel that you urinate very frequently during the day?

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## Final Recommendations and Management Plan

*Please choose a follow up action for the patient.*

- a. No further action required
- b. Education session (on telephone) required
- c. Further assessment required by PCP
- d. TM support required (for CHF patients)
- e. Deteriorating disease symptoms- contact PCP immediately
- f. Other, specify

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**Comments/ next steps:**

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