

Checklist to Rule out Acute Causes of Functional Decline

- ✓ Consults and diagnostic tests for purposes of diagnosis or treatment of acute conditions have been completed and reported, or pending test results are not anticipated to dramatically change the treatment plan.
- ✓ A clear diagnosis, co-morbidities/prognosis/goals of care have been established
- ✓ Vital signs are stable & treatment of acute conditions is complete
- ✓ Any abnormal lab values have been acknowledged and addressed, as needed

Additional considerations:

- Follow-up plan is in place at the time of the referral
- Endorsement of the referring physician for a bedded level of rehabilitative care as the most appropriate setting to address the causes of the patient's functional decline is confirmed
- Documentation of the date the patient was last seen by Primary Care provider is provided (as available)
- Documentation of the date the patient was seen by specialist / geriatrics is provided (if applicable)