

**SNF Group Interview Guide:
Care Transitions of Older Adults from the ED**

Date of group interview: _____

Time of group interview: Beginning: _____ End: _____

Total duration of group interview: _____

Group interview facilitators (circle initials): PC MS PH NW RZ other

Transition: ED -> SNF

Thank you for being willing to participate in this group interview for our AHRQ-sponsored research project!

We are interested in designing a system of care that supports the safe journey of older adults, meaning *adults over age 65*, after ED presentation. Today in this group interview, we are focusing on **patient transition from the ED to a SNF**, what factors play a role in the transition, implications for patient safety, and ideas for improving transitions for older adults. We are focusing on patients who present to the ED with a fall or UTI.

Throughout this group interview, we encourage you to **provide examples** of patients. When you talk about specific examples, please **do not use any name or other identifiable information**.

The group interview will take about 40 minutes.

Do you have any questions before we begin?

General questions

- What is your role in the SNF? How long have you worked as a SNF physician, NP, nurse,...? How long have you worked at this SNF?

Questions about care transition from ED

We are interested in understanding – from your perspective – what is done when a patient transitions from the ED into a SNF. We are specifically interested in patients who went to the ED with a fall or UTI.

- Think of a recent patient with a fall [UTI] **that was in your SNF, went to the ED and then came back from the ED to the SNF**. Can you describe that transition and what is done in the transition?
- Are there things that make the transition easier?
- Are there things that make the transition challenging?
- Do you have thoughts on what could be done to improve these transitions moving forward?