



Documentation

OVERVIEW OF MODULE

This education module provides staff with information on pain-related documentation in aged care.

Learning objectives

- 1** Describe the importance of accurate and timely documentation of pain in aged care
- 2** Identify different types of pain-related documentation in aged care and where to locate them within your facility/organisation

Post-video discussion/questions

Record your answers to the discussion questions below.

- 1. Using the example of 'poor' pain documentation provided by the trainer, list suggestions of how you think the document could be improved (hint: is the information recorded easy to read?).**

- 2. Using the example of 'good' pain documentation provided by the trainer, describe why you think this is a better example of pain documentation than the previous example provided (hint: think about why the previous example was poor and how this example is an improvement).**

- 3. Record the name of the two pain assessment tools used at your aged care facility/aged care provider organisation to document pain in people living with dementia and where you can locate them.**



Key messages



It is important for all care staff to document pain to ensure identification of pain and appropriate pain management occurs



Documenting pain in real-time is the most accurate/comprehensive method of recording pain in aged care (not relying on memory)



Use the appropriate assessment and charting tools depending on the aged care resident's/patient's/client's ability to report pain

For more information, visit

www.apsoc.org.au/painACT-Online-Learning

