

# Section GG

## Key Coding Questions and Answers



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*\*Only use the "activity not attempted codes" if the activity did not occur; that is, the resident did not perform the activity and a helper did not perform that activity for the resident.*

Does the resident need assistance (physical, verbal/ non-verbal cueing, setup/clean-up) to complete the self-care activity?

**NO** →

**CODE 06:  
Independent**

↓ **YES**

Does the resident need only setup or clean-up assistance?

**YES** →

**CODE 05:  
Setup or Clean-up Assistance**

↓ **NO**

Does the resident need only verbal/non-verbal cueing, or steadying/touching assistance?

**YES** →

**CODE 04:  
Supervision or Touching Assistance**

↓ **NO**

Does the resident need lifting assistance or trunk support with the helper providing **less than half** of the effort?

**YES** →

**CODE 03:  
Partial/Moderate Assistance**

↓ **NO**

Does the resident need lifting assistance or trunk support with the helper providing **more than half** of the effort?

**YES** →

**CODE 02:  
Substantial/Maximal Assistance**

↓ **NO**

Does the helper provide all of the effort to complete the activity or require 2 helpers?

**YES** →

**CODE 01:  
Dependent**

### DEFINITIONS

#### CODE 06: Independent

Resident completes the activity by him/herself with no assistance from a helper.

#### CODE 05: Setup or Clean-Up Assistance

Helper SETS UP or CLEANS UP; resident completes activity. Helper assists only prior to or following the activity.

#### CODE 04: Supervision or Touching Assistance

Helper provides VERBAL CUES or TOUCHING/STEADYING assistance as resident completes activity. Assistance may be provided throughout the activity or intermittently.

#### CODE 03: Partial/Moderate Assistance

Helper does LESS THAN HALF the effort. Helper lifts, holds, or supports trunk or limbs, but provides less than half the effort

#### CODE 02: Substantial/Maximal Assistance

Helper does MORE THAN HALF the effort. Helper lifts or holds trunk or limbs and provides more than half the effort.

#### CODE 01: Dependent

Helper does ALL of the effort. Resident does none of the effort to complete the activity. Or, the assistance of 2 or more helpers is required for the resident to complete the activity.

#### \*Activity not attempted codes:

#### Code 07, Resident Refused:

If the resident refused to complete the activity.

#### Code 09, Not applicable:

If the activity was not attempted and the resident did not perform this activity prior to the current illness, exacerbation, or injury.

#### Code 10, Not Attempted Due to Environmental Limitations

If the resident did not attempt this activity due to environmental limitations. Examples include lack of equipment and weather constraints.

#### Code 88, Not Attempted Due to Medical Condition or Safety Concerns:

If the activity was not attempted due to medical condition or safety concerns.