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**TOBACCO CESSATION OUTPATIENT FORM**

**1. HISTORY.** This issue publishes a revision of this publication.

**2. PURPOSE.**

a. This circular provides policy and implementing instructions for use of the tobacco cessation outpatient form prescribed by this circular: U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM) Form 709-R (Tobacco Cessation Documentation).

b. This form will facilitate outpatient treatment record (OTR) documentation by cueing practitioners to document key aspects in their assessment and treatment of patients who use tobacco products. A panel of expert consultants from the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) identified key aspects by thoroughly examining scientific evidence on tobacco use cessation. This panel synthesized the evidence on promoting tobacco use cessation in the Department of Defense/VA Clinical Practice Guideline to promote tobacco use cessation in the primary care setting. Key aspects were then transformed onto the form named in paragraph a above and prescribed by this circular. Use of this form is not mandatory, rather it is designed to facilitate documentation of care provided to patients who are attempting tobacco use cessation in primary care.

**3. APPLICABILITY.** This circular applies to all MEDCOM facilities. All facilities are granted use of the test form (prescribed herein) to document care of patients who use tobacco products.

**4. REFERENCES.** AR 40-66, Medical Record Administration and Health Care Documentation, provides guidance on medical record documentation and is applicable.

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\*This circular supersedes MEDCOM Circular 40-12, 1 August 2003.

**5. EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS.**

a. Abbreviations.

MEDCOM.....U.S. Army Medical Command  
OTR.....outpatient treatment record  
SF.....standard form  
VA.....Department of Veterans Affairs

b. Terms. See AR 40-66.

**6. RESPONSIBILITIES.** See AR 40-66.

**7. POLICY.**

a. Personnel in military treatment facilities may use MEDCOM Form 709-R for the period of the test (through 1 August 2007) or as directed by the MEDCOM.

b. The MEDCOM test form prescribed by this circular will be filed in the OTR with the standard form (SF) 600 (Health Record-Chronological Record of Medical Care) in reverse chronological order (most recent on top).

c. MEDCOM Form 709-R may be used in lieu of the SF 600 to document treatment only for tobacco use cessation patients being treated on an outpatient basis.

d. All current requirements of AR 40-66, other than those addressed in this circular, remain in effect.

**8. INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF THE TOBACCO CESSATION DOCUMENTATION FORM.** Note: This form is authorized for local reproduction (that is, "-R" form) and is contained in appendix A of this circular. This form is to be printed head to foot.

MEDCOM Form 709-R.

a. Purpose. This form may be used to document the treatment to promote tobacco use cessation.

b. Preparation. This form has five sections. Section I, vital signs, is to be completed by the technician. Section II, patient assessment, is to be completed by the patient and reviewed by the provider. Section III, medical history and physical assessment, is to be completed by the health care provider. Sections IV and V, assessment and action plan, are to be completed by the health care provider.

c. Content. Section I includes documentation of height, weight, and vital signs. Section II includes questions on tobacco use history. Section III includes check box and free-hand areas for documentation of the patient's medical history and physical assessment. Section IV is the primary assessment and Section V is an action plan.

APPENDIX A

Appendix A contains the following "-R" form (authorized for local reproduction).

MEDCOM Form 709-R (Tobacco Cessation Documentation)

**MEDICAL RECORD - TOBACCO CESSATION DOCUMENTATION**

For use of this form see MEDCOM Circular 40-12

TREATMENT FACILITY

DATE

**SECTION I - VITAL SIGNS (Completed by Technician)**

TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ BP: \_\_\_\_\_ PULSE: \_\_\_\_\_ RESP: \_\_\_\_\_ TEMP: \_\_\_\_\_ HT: \_\_\_\_\_ WT: \_\_\_\_\_

ALLERGY: \_\_\_\_\_ MEDICATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION II - PATIENT ASSESSMENT (Completed by Patient/reviewed by Provider)**

1. At what age did you start using tobacco? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What type(s) and amount(s) of tobacco do you use?

TYPE(S)	YES	NO	AMOUNT(S)	PER DAY	PER MONTH
a. Cigarette			Packs		
b. Pipe			Bowls		
c. Cigar			Cigars		
d. Snuff			Cans		
e. Chew			Pouch		

3. How soon after you wake up do you use tobacco?  After 30 minutes  Within 30 minutes4. Have you quit before?  Yes  No

5. How many times have you quit before? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What was the longest period you were able to quit? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What caused you to start using tobacco again?

8. Did you use any of the following to help you quit?  Patch  Gum  Zyban  Inhaler Nasal Spray  Individual Counseling  Formal Program  Other \_\_\_\_\_9. Why do you want to quit tobacco use?  Financial Saving  Breathing Problems  Heart Problems Fear of Cancer  Family/Social Pressure  Other Issues \_\_\_\_\_10. What support do you have available to help you quit tobacco use?  Family  Friends Work  Other \_\_\_\_\_

11. What type of program do you believe would help you the most?

 Group  One on One  Counseling  Self Quit

PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION (For typed or written entries give: Name - last, first, middle; grade; date; hospital or medical facility)

(Patient's Signature/Date)

**SECTION III - MEDICAL HISTORY AND PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT (Completed by Health Care Provider)**

**MEDICAL HISTORY**

MEDICATIONS REVIEWED:  Yes  No ALLERGIES REVIEWED:  Yes  No LMP: \_\_\_\_\_

ETOH:  Yes  No  Cut Down  Annoyed  Guilty  Eye opener  
 During the past month have you been bothered by: Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless  Yes  No  
 PMH affecting use of NRT/Bupropion: Little interest or pleasure in doing things  Yes  No

<b>PRECAUTIONS/CONTRAINDICATIONS</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>PRECAUTIONS/CONTRAINDICATIONS</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
HEAD TRAUMA			MOOD DISORDER		
SEIZURES			POLYCYTHEMIA		
CHRONIC PAIN DISORDER			DIABETES		
LIVER DISEASE			CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE		
HYPERTHYROIDISM			<b>COMPLICATIONS OF TOBACCO USE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
KIDNEY DISEASE			CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DZ		
PREGNANCY			ASTHMA		
LACTATING			CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE		
SUBSTANCE ABUSE			CANCER		
EATING DISORDER			ERECTILE DYSFUNCTION		
POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER			PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISEASE		
ANXIETY			OTHER		

Physical Assessment:

**SECTION IV - ASSESSMENT (Completed by Health Care Provider)**

PRIMARY ASSESSMENT: Tobacco Cessation V65.49 4 (DOD unique extender) ICD - 9-CM 305.1

**SECTION V - ACTION PLAN (Completed by Health Care Provider)**

- MEDICATIONS:** NRT Prescribed?  YES  NO

Transdermal Nicotine (Contraindicated in Pregnancy)  7 Mg x \_\_\_\_\_ weeks  14 Mg x \_\_\_\_\_ weeks

21 Mg x \_\_\_\_\_ weeks  \_\_\_\_\_ Mg x \_\_\_\_\_ weeks

Polacrilex Nicotine PRN

Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Bupropion SR 150 mg \_\_\_\_\_ po,qd x \_\_\_\_\_ days, then \_\_\_\_\_ bid.
- Tobacco Cessation Counseling:**

Patient congratulated on decision to quit tobacco usage: Quit Date \_\_\_\_\_

Patient advised to avoid all tobacco products during NRT.

Tobacco cessation benefits reviewed.

Patient advised of withdrawal symptoms.

Patient concerns and support systems addressed.

Patient advised to take medication as directed.

Educational materials given to patient.
- What type of tobacco cessation program would you like to participate in?**

Formal  Group  Behavior Modification  One On One  Self Quit Program
- Referral To:**

Stress Management  Dietary  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Follow-Up Appointment within 2 weeks:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Provider's Signature/Date)

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