Stop and Watch
Early Warning Tool

If you have identified a change while caring for or observing a resident, please circle the change and notify a nurse. Either give the nurse a copy of this tool or review it with her/him as soon as you can.

Seems different than usual
Talks or communicates less
Overall needs more help
Pain – new or worsening; Participated less in activities
Ate less
No bowel movement in 3 days; or diarrhea
Drank less
Weight change
Agitated or nervous more than usual
Tired, weak, confused, or drowsy
Change in skin color or condition
Help with walking, transferring, toileting more than usual

☐ Check here if no change noted while monitoring high risk patient

Patient / Resident

Your Name

Reported to Date and Time (am/pm)

Nurse Response Date and Time (am/pm)

Nurse’s Name

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