



**Clinical Parameters For Admission and Recertification
ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis)**

Patient: _____ **MR#:** _____

NOTE: CIRCLE OR CHECK THE APPROPRIATE DATA AS COMPLETELY AS POSSIBLE

General Characteristic

1. Consider the entire physical and psychosocial condition of the patient.
2. Review history and conduct physical examination of the presenting terminal diagnosis including medications.
3. Patient/CG should desire no further aggressive intervention including acute care hospitalizations or cardio-pulmonary resuscitation.
4. Patient with multiple medical problems that dictate a terminal prognosis and a need for symptom management rather than an aggressive approach.

Clinical Characteristics

- ____ Decline in functional status preceding 12 months
- ____ Karnofsky Performance Scale (KPS) less than 50%
- ____ Palliative Performance Scale (PPS) less than 70%
- ____ Respiratory
- ____ Vital capacity (VC) less than 30% of baseline date: _____
- ____ Dyspnea @ rest
- ____ Supplemental O2
- ____ Difficulty with speech
- ____ Refuses mechanical ventilation
- ____ Pneumonia (URI) date: _____
- ____ Nutritional
- ____ Dysphagia tube access ____refused ____present
- ____ Weight loss
- ____ Dehydration
- ____ Decubiti
- ____ Choking episodes
- ____ Other conditions:
- ____ Urinary tract infections
- ____ Fever of unknown origins
- ____ Atrophy
- ____ Cramping
- ____ Hyper-reflexia

Clinical

Narrative: _____

Information Obtained From: _____ **Date:** _____

H&P Requested: ____ YES ____ NO

Date: _____ **Source:** _____ **Signature:** _____