

Intake and Output – Stool Documentation

Care Items	Sts	Direction	OD
-COWS Assessment +	A		
-Dysphagia Screening +	A		
Routine Care			
-Vitals/Ht/ Wt/ Measurements +	A		
-Routine Daily Care +	A		
-Hygiene Care +	A		
-Intake and Output +	A		
-Bladder Scan +	A		
-Lines/Drains/Ointments +	A		

Stool documentation is recorded within the intake and output on Process Intervention screen. RNs, LPNs and PCTs are able to document stool output. **However, documentation of liquid stool must be done by RN only.**

A pop up will display asking if the user needs to document a liquid stool.

Step 1: Select **Output**

Step 2: Select **Stool**

Step 3: Select **Yes**, only if stool is liquid watery with no solid pieces (stool - type 7 on Bristol Stool Form Scale [BSFS]).

⚠ LPNs & PCTs: no further documentation and notify RN.

RNs must complete C.diff screening AND Output documentation.

Select **No** for stool - types 1-6 on BSFS.

LPNs & PCTs: complete stool output screen.

C.diff Screening (RNs only)

Stool Output Documentation



Stool characteristics:

1 Individual hard lumps	5 Soft distinct blobs
2 Formed/lumpy	6 Fluffy pieces/mushy
3 Formed w/ surface cracks	7 Entirely liquid
4 Long/smooth/soft	

Last 4 Liquid Stool Entries (Past 2 days)

Date	Time	# Stools	Causes

Number of liquid stools: *








Stool characteristics: *

Stool amount:

Stool Characteristics are answered with an affirmative liquid stool by an RN.

Stool Characteristics correspond with the Bristol Stool Chart

Bristol Stool Chart

Type 1		Separate hard lumps, like nuts (hard to pass)
Type 2		Sausage-shaped but lumpy
Type 3		Like a sausage but with cracks on its surface
Type 4		Like a sausage or snake, smooth and soft
Type 5		Soft blobs with clear-cut edges (passed easily)
Type 6		Fluffy pieces with ragged edges, a mushy stool
Type 7		Watery, no solid pieces. Entirely Liquid