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Remember: Many answers/clarifications on EHR processes can be accessed through the EHR Intranet site or EHR Learning (Learning Live)

❖ **NIHSS “Last Known Well” Documentation (starting August 26)**

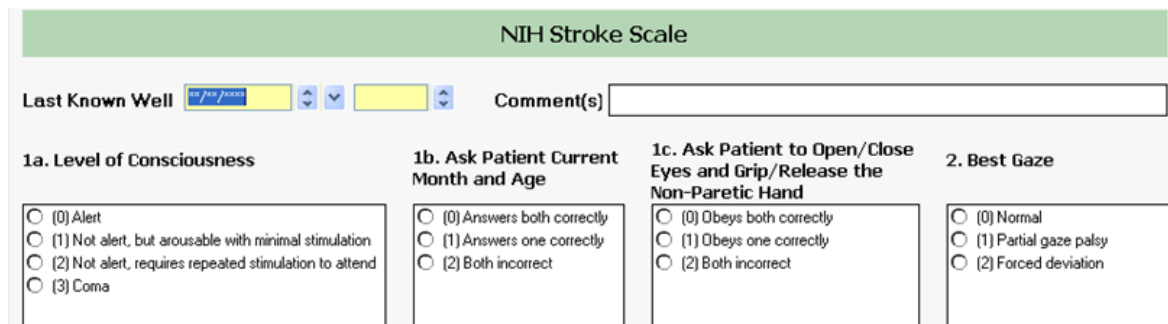
Current Quality Measure for Stroke “Last Known Well” question needs a consistent place in EHR for documentation.

Beginning Monday, August 26, “Last Known Well” will be included at the top of the NIHSS Power Form for ED Physicians and Inpatient Nursing (as needed in Ad Hoc).

- Documentation will include date/time/ Comments- as free text.
- Last Known Well documentation will pull forward to any new NIHSS Power Forms (not including the NIHSS Modified).
- These fields will not be required, to take into account any “Unknowns” .

Inpatient Nursing currently document this in IView. The only difference is that the documented date/time/ comments will not pull forward as with the PowerForms. Again, you do not have to document this if already done. It only needs to be documented once to meet the measure.

Below is a screen shot of what Last Known Well will look like on the NIH Stroke Scale PowerForm:



The screenshot shows the NIH Stroke Scale PowerForm interface. At the top, there is a green header with the text "NIH Stroke Scale". Below the header, there is a "Last Known Well" field with a dropdown menu and a "Comment(s)" text area. The form is divided into four columns, each representing a different assessment category:

- 1a. Level of Consciousness:** Includes radio button options for (0) Alert, (1) Not alert, but arousable with minimal stimulation, (2) Not alert, requires repeated stimulation to attend, and (3) Coma.
- 1b. Ask Patient Current Month and Age:** Includes radio button options for (0) Answers both correctly, (1) Answers one correctly, and (2) Both incorrect.
- 1c. Ask Patient to Open/Close Eyes and Grip/Release the Non-Paretic Hand:** Includes radio button options for (0) Obeys both correctly, (1) Obeys one correctly, and (2) Both incorrect.
- 2. Best Gaze:** Includes radio button options for (0) Normal, (1) Partial gaze palsy, and (2) Forced deviation.