Resident Need Index in BASICS Hierarchy to Plan Quality Care:

When a resident problem is identified on the MDS assessment, it is helpful to review the entire MDS to identify how the resident's daily life is affected under every level of BASICS by that problem. This is done by comparing the current MDS to the last completed MDS to detect even subtle changes that can be attributed to the identified problem. During your review of the MDS, list resident strengths that can be used to plan effective interventions to address the problem.

