❖ Worksheet Assignment 3

Patient #2: Calvin

Name	Date

Health condition

1. Describe Calvin's medical history.

78 year old married male. Nine days post surgery for coronary artery bypass graft with subsequent left-sided weakness. Prolonged ventilator support for four days. Patient was evaluated by therapy on the sixth day post-op.

Observe the patient and the environment

2. Name 4 devices or pieces of medical equipment used with Calvin that could indicate important precautions.

IV and line
Cardiac monitor
Side rails on the bed
Gait/safety belt

3. Why did Calvin appear to refuse therapy?

Calvin had difficulty understanding the therapist. This appears to be related to hearing loss. Calvin also appears to have increased confusion and is unable to follow commands.

4. Describe Calvin's posture while sitting at the edge of the bed.

Include head, trunk, upper extremities and lower extremities

Calvin sits at the edge of the bed using his right upper extremity for balance and support. He also uses his left upper extremity at times.

His head is turned toward the right (less involved) side.

The trunk is flexed and the pelvis is in a posterior pelvic tilt.

5. Name 2 key problem areas for Calvin.

Difficulty understanding and following commands Sensory impairment of the involved side

Disregard of the left side

Impaired motor control of the left upper and lower extremities

6. What would be your discharge recommendation?

Interim care facility.

Why? (Support your decision)

An interim care facility is an appropriate discharge recommendation due to the patient's decreased ability to participate functionally in therapeutic tasks due to cognitive deficits.