**Categorization by Care Type, Body Part and Impairment**

Categorization in the FOTO System

Patient episodes in the FOTO system are categorized first by ***care type***, then by ***body part and/or impairment***. For example, a patient with low back pain being seen following lumbar surgery would be categorized as:

Care type = Orthopedic

Body part = Lumbar

Impairment = Post-surgical procedures

Care types – A care type selection is mandatory for all patient episodes

Orthopedic

Industrial (work conditioning or work hardening programs only)

Pain Management (multi-disciplinary pain management programs only)

Neurological

Cardiovascular

Pelvic Floor

Speech

Wound

Body Part and Impairment categories

*For complete lists of body part and impairment categories,* ***see Addendum B.***

Within *Orthopedic, Industrial and Pain Management care types*,

* Since body part categories are a standard part of Orthopedic, Industrial and Pain Management categorization, the researcher must designate the body parts of interest.
* Impairment categories are non-standard, optional selections. However, if the clinician/staff designate the post-surgical impairment category, it is required for them to indicate the type and date of surgery.

For the remaining care types, impairment category selection is standard so the researcher must designate the impairment categories of interest. Examples of impairments (not exhaustive list) for each care type include:

* *Neurological -* cerebrovascular accident, vertigo and CNS dysfunction
* *Cardiovascular –* diseases of veins and lymphatics (lymphedema or regional swelling)
* *Pelvic Floor –* Urinary problems, Bowel problems, Pelvic Pain, Prolapse