



MPDS ProQA Comment Boxes

You will notice that the NAED has made some significant changes to several KQ answer choices containing Comment Boxes. This was based on considerable research based on requests from various MPDS ProQA users. Additionally, the NAED created a special Task Group to review each of the 53 Comment Boxes in ProQA.

Using both the NAED research and the Task Group's recommendations, the NAED has implemented the first phase of Comment Box modifications in this Beta Release.

In this first phase, we have added more answer choices to several of the KQs in various protocols. These modifications are based on the Task Group's recommendations of common "other" choices frequently used in the Comment Boxes.

Although the Comment Boxes still remain in most cases, this change will reduce the frequency free text Box selection to only when nothing else matches. In certain places, we have added the answer choice: Other (not specified) to allow local control of Comment Boxes used for medical info/research only. This will give local control the option to allow their EMDs to select the Other (not specified) answer without the Comment Box, although this will be agency defined and essentially a training issue.

For all users, these modifications are more user friendly, which will not only save time but will ultimately allow for the documentation of more specific data which is instrumental in the continuing research and evolution of the protocols.

The second phase includes similar modifications to KQ Comment Box answers but in these cases, the changes affect significant responses and logic. These required thorough testing before release. These include modifications to the Cardiac History KQ found on several protocols.

List of Modifications: First Phase

Below are the locations of the Comment Box modifications along with a few specific examples.

Comment Boxes Removed:

Global: Comment Box **removed:** Happened > 6hrs

- Prot. 2: KQ 4
- Prot. 3: KQ 7
- Prot. 4: KQ 2
- Prot. 5: KQ 1, 2
- Prot. 17: KQ 1
- Prot. 21: KQ 6
- Prot. 23: KQ 6
- Prot. 24: KQ 8
- Prot. 27: KQ 2
- Prot. 31: KQ 2, 4

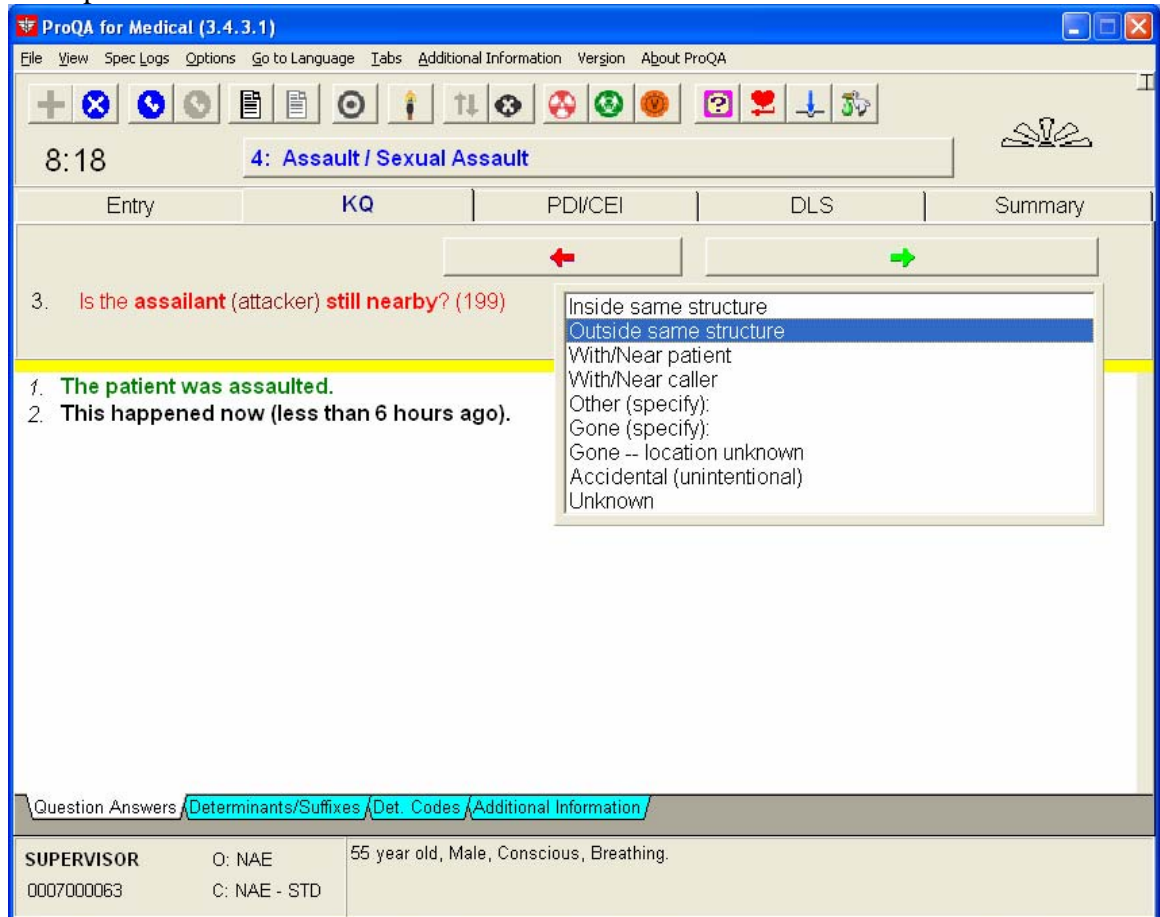
Answer Choices Added:

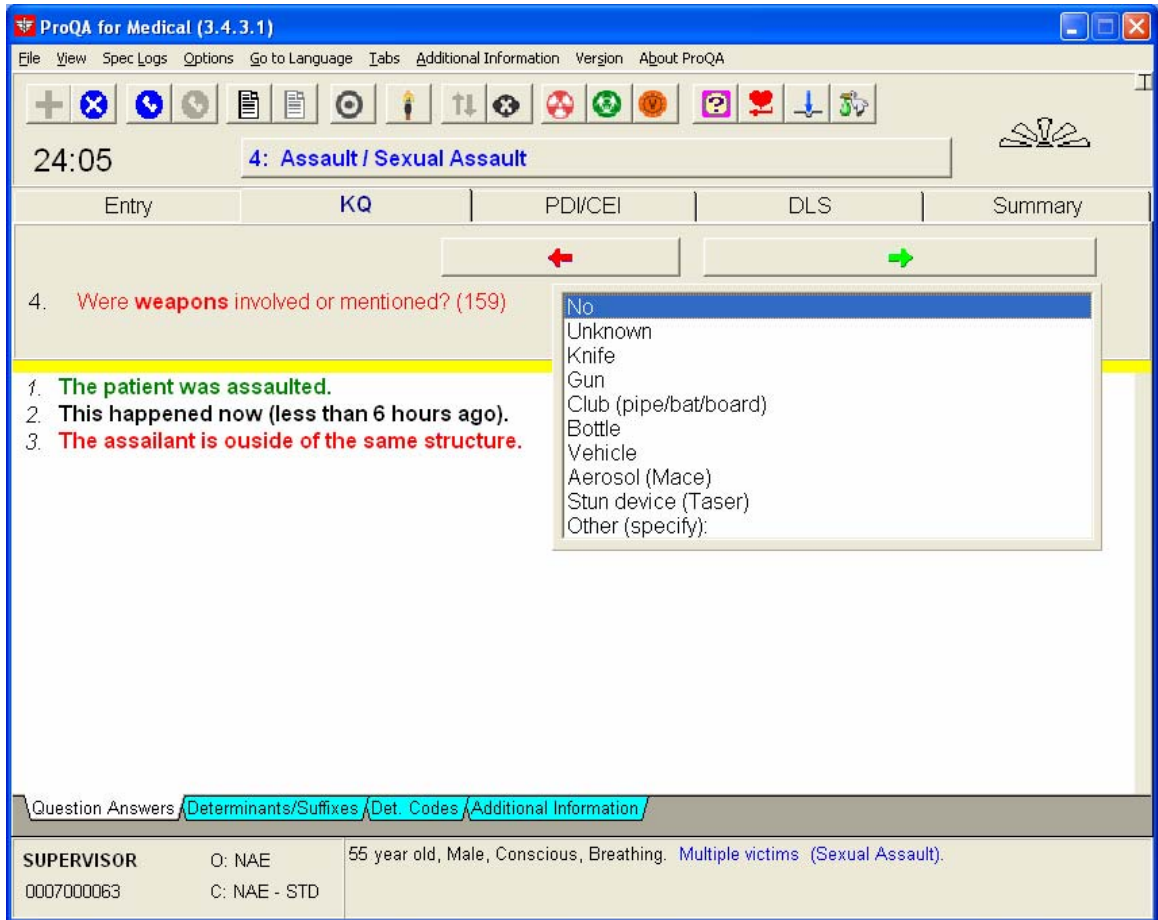
As you can see below, we have added several answer choices along with splitting the Comment Box choices to account for important scene safety issues.

Prot. 2: KQ 1: Other (non-allergic) Not Specified

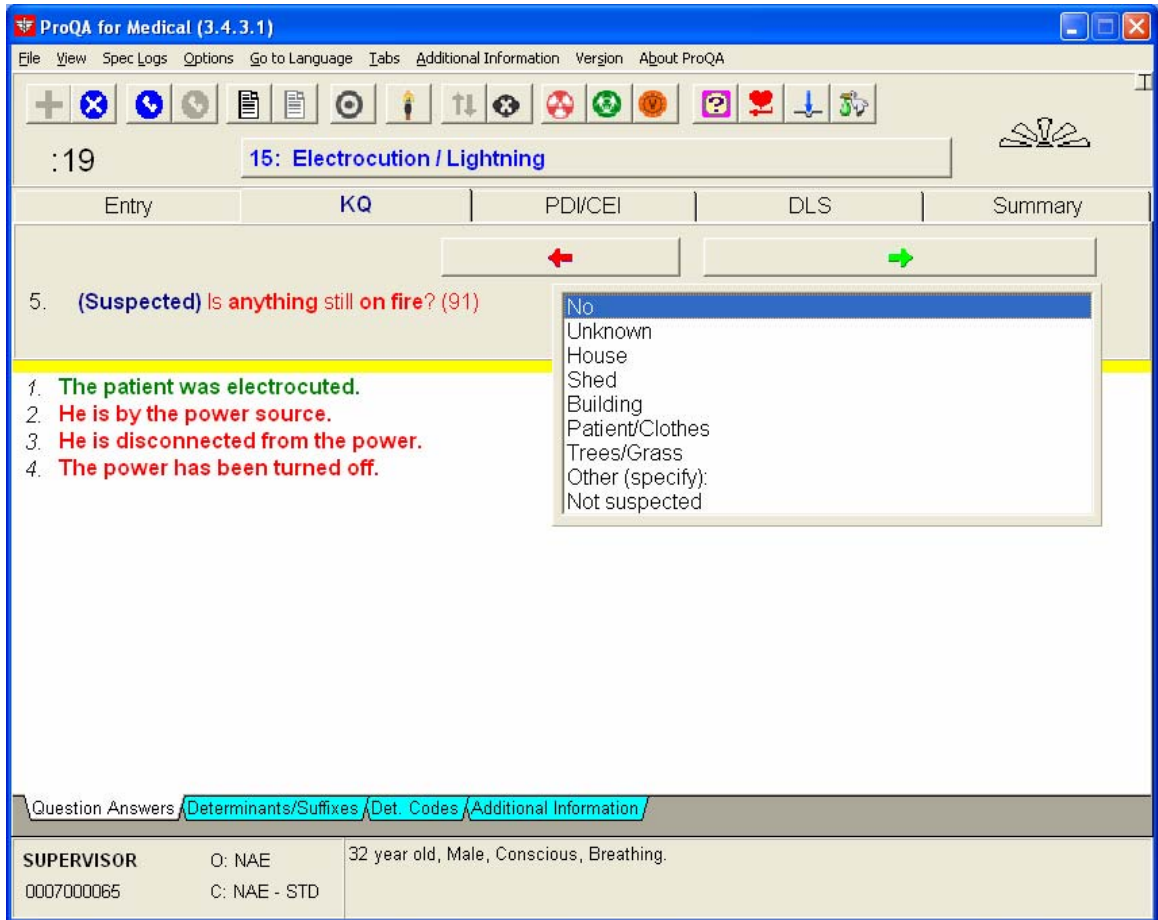
Prot. 4: KQ 3, 4

Example:





Prot. 15: KQ 5
Example:



Prot. 22: KQ 4 “CENTRAL (all other)” added, Comment Box removed

Prot. 25: KQ 3
Example:

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26:09 25: Psychiatric / Abnormal Behavior / Suicide Attempt

Entry KQ PDI/CEI DLS Summary

3. **Where is he now?** (82)

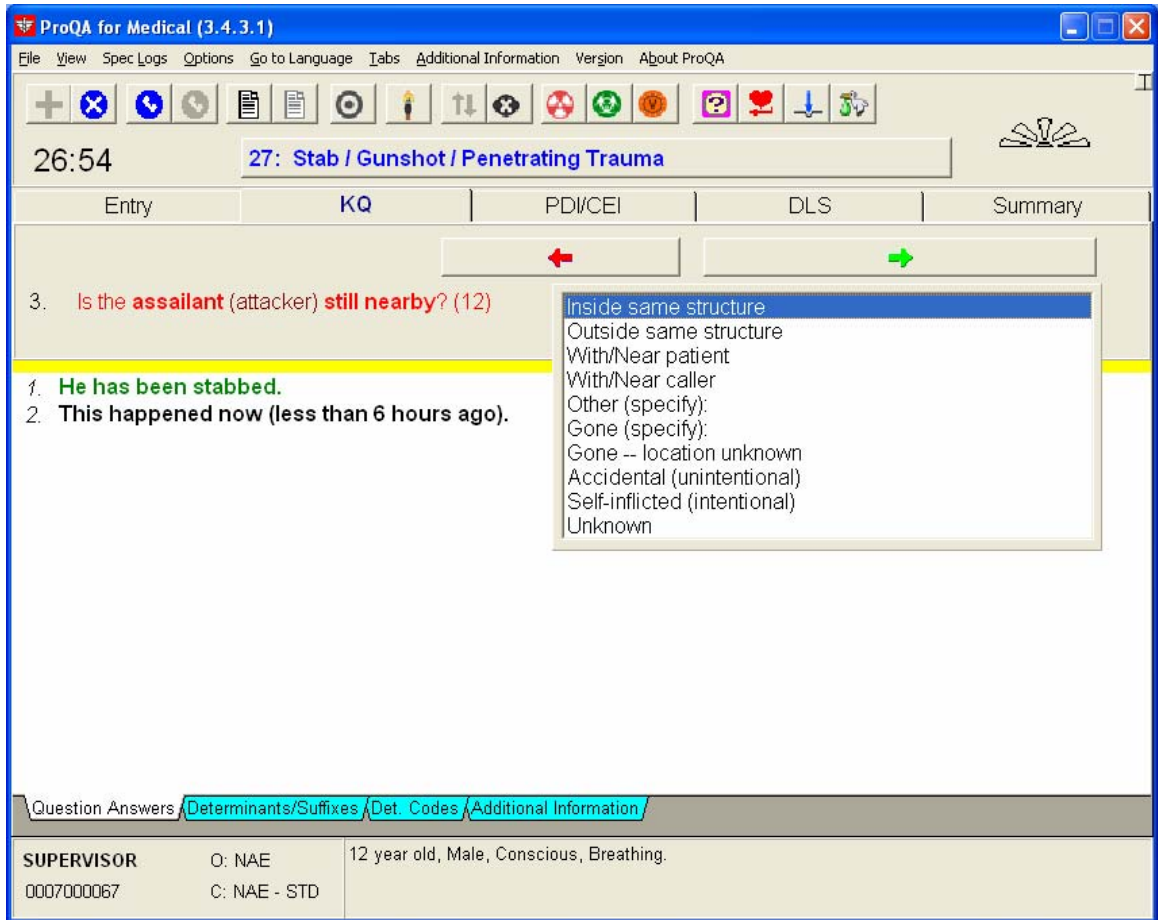
1. **He is violent.**
2. **He does not have a weapon.**

Inside same structure
Outside same structure
With/Near caller
Other (specify):
Gone (specify):
Gone -- location unknown
Unknown

Question Answers **Determinants/Suffixes** Det. Codes Additional Information

SUPERVISOR	O: NAE	12 year old, Male, Conscious, Breathing.
0007000067	C: NAE - STD	

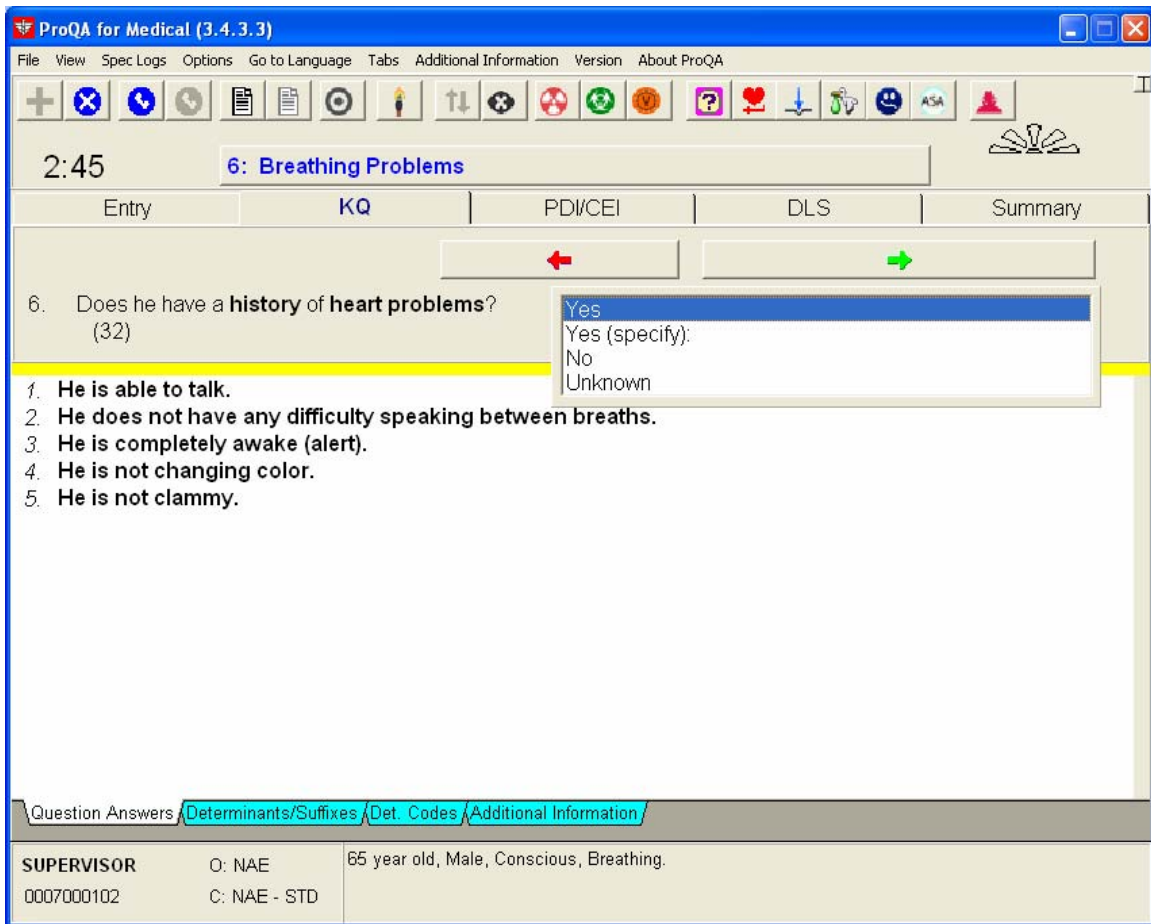
Prot. 27: KQ 3
Example:



Second Phase

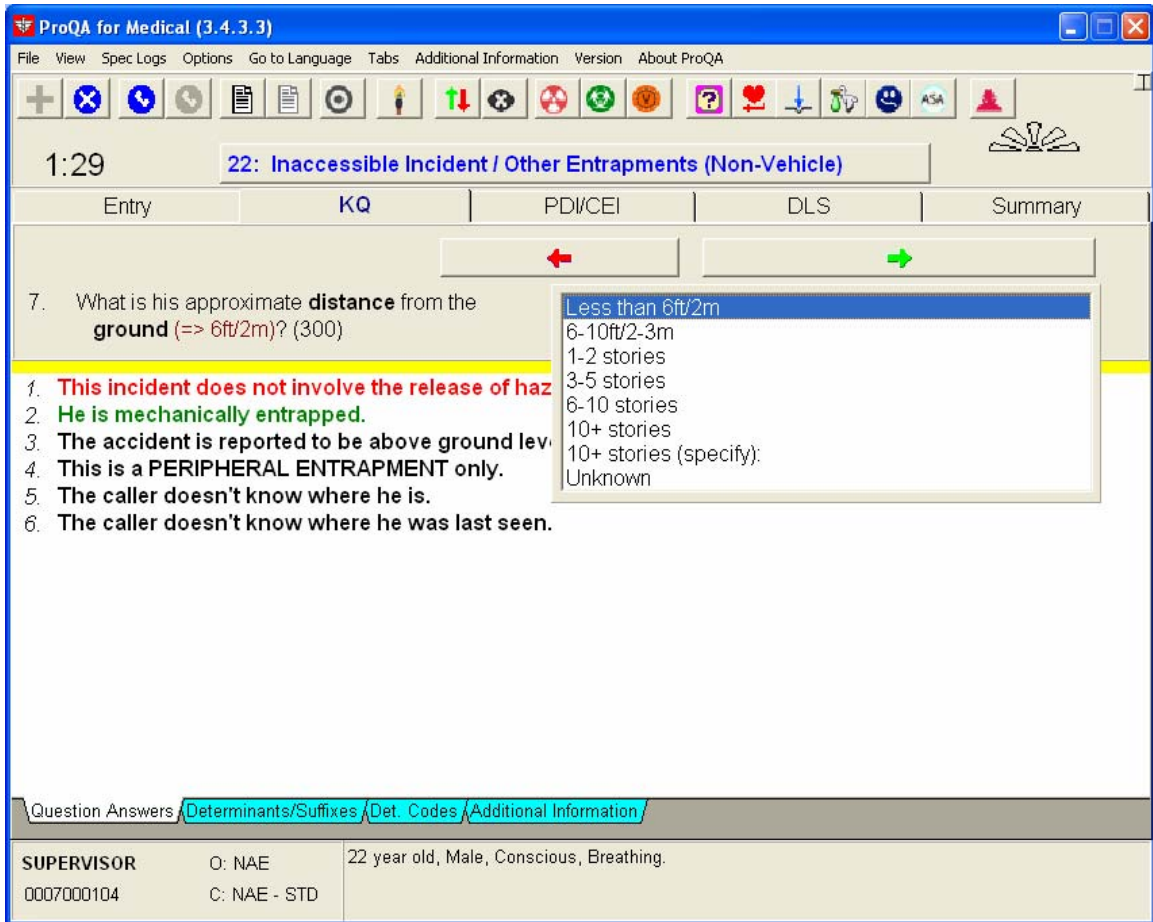
Changes to Cardiac History KQ Answer Choices: Protocols 6, 10, 12, 19, 20, 26, 31:

As you can see below, we have split the Yes answer choice into Yes, without a Comment Box and Yes (specify): with a Comment Box. This allows agencies to choose whether or not to use the Comment Box option, but still allows for those agencies compiling data for research to use the Comment Box answer choice.



Protocol 22, KQ 7:

Answer choices have been added to be more specific regarding distance from ground, with optional Comment Box kept for specifics on height above 10 stories.



Protocol 25, KQ 2a (3 in ProQA):

Answer choices have been added to gather more specific weapon information, with the Other (specify) Comment Box kept.

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:43 25: Psychiatric / Abnormal Behavior / Suicide Attempt

Entry KQ PDI/CEI DLS Summary

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3. **What is it?** (301)

1. **He is violent.**
2. **He has a weapon.**

Knife
Gun
Razor
Sharp object
Club (pipe/bat/board)
Bottle
Other (specify):

Question Answers Determinants/Suffixes Det. Codes Additional Information

SUPERVISOR	O: NAE	23 year old, Male, Conscious, Breathing.
0007000105	C: NAE - STD	