



# Tips & Tricks

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# Find the updated guidance for new & revised OASIS-C2 items

# New Items – M1028 Active Dx

**Item Intent:** “This item identifies whether two specific diagnoses are present, and active. These diagnoses influence a patient's functional outcomes or increase a patient's risk for development or worsening of pressure ulcer(s).”

- The diseases and conditions in this item require a physician (or nurse practitioner, physician assistant, clinical nurse specialist, or other authorized licensed staff if allowable under state licensure laws) documented diagnosis at the time of assessment.
- If patient does not have an active diagnosis of PVD, PAD, or diabetes within the assessment timeframe, leave boxes in M1028 unchecked.
- Use a dash (-) if information not available or could not be assessed.

# New Items – M1060 Height & Weight

**Item Intent:** “These items support calculation of the patient’s body mass index (BMI) using the patient’s height and weight.”

- Height and weight support body mass index (BMI) calculation. BMI is a risk co-variant for Worsening of Pressure Ulcer IMPACT measure.
- Record the patient’s height to the nearest whole inch. Use mathematical rounding ( $\geq .5$ , round up;  $< .5$ , round down). Measure and record the patient’s weight in pounds.
- Data collection by self-report or from paperwork from another provider setting is NOT acceptable.
- If a patient cannot be weighed/measured, enter a dash (-) and document the rationale on the patient’s medical record. CMS expects dash use to be a rare occurrence.

# New Items – GG0170C Mobility

**Item Intent:** “Identifies the patient’s need for assistance with the mobility task of moving from lying on the back to sitting on the side of the bed with feet flat on the floor, and with no back support.”

- “Mobility limitations can adversely affect wound healing and increase risk for the development of pressure ulcers.”
- Use direct observation and/or patient/caregiver/family report.
- Have patient perform independently if safe or with caregiver assistance if needed to be safe. Respond according to level of assistance needed.
- May use assistive device to be safe to complete task. Use of device should not impact score adversely.
- If performance varies, report patient’s usual performance not most independent performance or most dependent performance.

# Items with Revised Numbering

C2 Item #	Description	C1 Item #
<b>M1311</b>	Current # of unhealed pressure ulcers at each stage	M1308
<b>M1313</b>	Worsening in pressure ulcer status since SOC/ROC	M1309
<b>M1501</b>	Symptoms in heart failure patients	M1500
<b>M1511</b>	Heart failure follow-up	M1510
<b>M2001</b>	Drug regimen review	M2000
<b>M2003</b>	Medication follow-up	M2002
<b>M2005</b>	Medication intervention	M2004
<b>M2016</b>	Patient/caregiver drug education intervention	M2015
<b>M2301</b>	Emergent care	M2300
<b>M2401</b>	Intervention synopsis	M2400

# Other Key Changes

1. **Look back period** in item descriptions for **M1501, M1511, M2016, M2301, M2401** changed to “at the time of or at any time since the most recent SOC/ROC assessment”.
2. The use of “**specifically,**” means item scoring should be limited to only the circumstances listed. The use of “**for example,**” means clinician may consider other relevant circumstances or attributes when scoring.
3. For items that allow a dash response, the **dash (–)** value indicates no information is available, and/or the item could not be assessed. ***CMS expects dash use to be a rare occurrence.***
4. Formatting changes were made to many M-items allowing **entry of one coded value** rather than relying on check boxes () or lines.