OASIS ITEM (M1210) Ability to hear (with hearing aid or hearing appliance if normally used): 0 -Adequate: hears normal conversation without difficulty. 1 -Mildly to Moderately Impaired: difficulty hearing in some environments or speaker may need to increase volume or speak distinctly. Severely Impaired: absence of useful hearing. 2 -UK - Unable to assess hearing. **ITEM INTENT** Identifies the patient's ability to hear spoken language and other sounds (e.g., alarms). TIME POINTS ITEM(S) COMPLETED Start of care Resumption of care **RESPONSE—SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS** • Hearing is evaluated with the patient wearing hearing aids or devices if he/she usually uses them. Select the "UK" response if the patient is not able to respond or if it is otherwise impossible to assess hearing • (e.g., severe dementia, schizophrenia, unconscious). • If evaluating ability to hear with hearing aids, be sure that the devices are in place, turned on, and that the hearing aids are working (i.e., batteries are functional). **DATA SOURCES / RESOURCES** Patient/caregiver interview . Observation . • Physical assessment • Referral information (e.g., history and physical)