(M1220) Understanding of Verbal Content in patient's own language (with hearing aid or device if used): 0 - Understands: clear comprehension without cues or repetitions.

- 1 Usually Understands: understands most conversations, but misses some part/intent of message. Requires cues at times to understand.
- 2 Sometimes Understands: understands only basic conversations or simple, direct phrases.
 Frequently requires cues to understand.
- 3 Rarely/Never Understands
- UK Unable to assess understanding.

ITEM INTENT

Identifies the patient's functional ability to comprehend spoken words and instructions in the patient's primary language. Both hearing and cognitive abilities may impact a patient's ability to understand verbal content.

TIME POINTS ITEM(S) COMPLETED

Start of care

Resumption of care

RESPONSE—SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

- The "UK" response should be selected if the patient is not <u>able</u> to respond or if it is otherwise impossible to assess understanding of spoken words and instructions.
- For patients whose primary language differs from the clinician's, an interpreter may be necessary.
- If a patient can comprehend lip reading, they have the ability to understand verbal content, even if they are deaf.

DATA SOURCES / RESOURCES

- Patient/caregiver interview
- Observation
- Physical assessment
- Referral information (e.g., history and physical)
- Interpreter