

OASIS ITEM	
<p>(M1330) Does this patient have a Stasis Ulcer?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 0 - No [<i>Go to M1340</i>]</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Yes, patient has BOTH observable and unobservable stasis ulcers</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - Yes, patient has observable stasis ulcers ONLY</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - Yes, patient has unobservable stasis ulcers ONLY (known but not observable due to non-removable dressing) [<i>Go to M1340</i>]</p>	
ITEM INTENT	
<p>Identifies patients with ulcers caused by inadequate venous circulation in the area affected (usually lower legs). This lesion is often associated with stasis dermatitis.</p> <p>Stasis ulcers DO NOT include arterial lesions or arterial ulcers. If the home health clinician conducting the assessment is not sure the wound fits the definition of a stasis ulcer, the clinician should contact the physician for clarification.</p>	
TIME POINTS ITEM(S) COMPLETED	
<p>Start of care</p> <p>Resumption of care</p> <p>Follow-up</p> <p>Discharge from agency – not to inpatient facility</p>	
RESPONSE—SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A response of “Yes” identifies the presence of an ulcer caused by inadequate venous circulation in the area affected (usually lower legs). • It is important to differentiate stasis ulcers from other types of skin lesions, and only report stasis ulcers in this item. • Once a stasis ulcer has completely epithelialized, it is considered healed and should not be reported as a current stasis ulcer. • Select Response 1 if the patient has both an observable stasis ulcer AND a reported stasis ulcer that cannot be observed because of a cast or dressing (e.g., Unna boot) that cannot be removed. Information may be obtained from the physician or patient/caregiver regarding the presence of a stasis ulcer underneath the cast or dressing. • Select Response 3 ONLY if the patient has a reported stasis ulcer that cannot be observed because of a cast or dressing (e.g., Unna boot) that cannot be removed, and has no observable stasis ulcers. Information may be obtained from the physician or patient/caregiver regarding the presence of a stasis ulcer underneath the cast or dressing. 	
DATA SOURCES / RESOURCES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient/caregiver interview • Physician • Physician’s orders • Referral information • Review of health history • Observation • Physical assessment • A link to the Clinical Fact Sheet – Quick Assessment of Leg Ulcers can be found in Chapter 5 of this manual. 	

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