OASIS ITEM

(M1350) Does this patient have a Skin Lesion or Open Wound, excluding bowel ostomy, other than those described above that is receiving intervention by the home health agency?

🗌 0 - No

□ 1 - Yes

ITEM INTENT

Identifies the presence or absence of a skin lesion or open wound NOT ALREADY ADDRESSED IN PREVIOUS ITEMS that is receiving clinical assessment or intervention from the home health agency.

TIME POINTS ITEM(S) COMPLETED

Start of care

Resumption of care

Follow-up

Discharge from agency - not to inpatient facility

RESPONSE—SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

- A lesion is a broad term used to describe an area of pathologically altered tissue. Sores, skin tears, burns, ulcers, rashes, etc., are all considered lesions. All alterations in skin integrity are considered to be lesions, except for bowel ostomies (which are reported in OASIS item M1630). Persistent redness without a break in the skin is also considered a lesion.
- Skin lesions or open wounds that are <u>not</u> receiving clinical intervention from the home health agency should not be considered when responding to this question.
- If the patient has any skin condition that is being clinically assessed on an ongoing basis as indicated on the home health agency's plan of care (e.g., wound measurements), then the lesion or wound is receiving clinical intervention and this item should be answered "Yes."
- Response 1 Yes refers to those types of other wounds NOT described in detail by other specific OASIS items (burns, diabetic ulcers, cellulitis, abscesses, wounds caused by trauma of various kinds, etc.).
- PICC line and peripheral IV sites are considered skin lesions / open wounds.
- Ostomies other than bowel ostomies for elimination (e.g., tracheostomies, thoracostomies, urostomies, jejunostomies, gastrostomies) ARE considered to be skin lesions or open wounds if clinical interventions (e.g., cleansing, dressing changes, assessment) are being provided by the home health agency during the care episode.
- This item does not address cataract surgery of the eye, surgery to mucosal membranes, or gynecological surgical procedures by a vaginal approach.
- This item does not include tattoos, piercings, and other skin alterations unless ongoing assessment and/or clinical intervention by the home health agency is a part of the planned/provided care.

DATA SOURCES / RESOURCES

- Patient/caregiver interview
- Observation
- Physical Assessment

- Referral documentation
- Review of health history
- Physician