

From April 2013 Q&As

M1830, M1845, M1870, M1880, M1890

Question 7. My staff are confused about when a patient's ability to access the location and/or implements needed to complete the ADL/IADL tasks should be considered when scoring the OASIS items. For instance, should I include a patient's ability to get to the tub for M1830 bathing, or to get to the kitchen to prepare a meal for M1880, or to get to the phone for phone use in M1890?

Answer 7. The OASIS ADL/IADL items consider the patient's ability to access the needed items and/or location where the task is performed unless item guidance specifically excludes these from consideration. The 5 ADL/IADL items where there are exclusions are:

M1830, Bathing - The focus is on the patient's ability to access the tub/shower, transfer in and out, and bathe the entire body once the needed items are within reach. The ability to access bathing supplies and prepare the water in the tub/shower are excluded from consideration when assessing the patient's bathing ability.

M1845, Toileting Hygiene - The focus is on the patient's ability to access needed supplies and implements, and manage hygiene and clothing once at the location where toileting occurs. The ability to access the toilet or bedside commode, transfer on and off the bedpan and to use the urinal are excluded from consideration when assessing the patient's toileting hygiene ability.

M1870, Feeding/Eating - The focus is on the patient's ability to eat, chew and swallow once the meal is placed in front of the patient and needed items are within reach. The ability to access the location where the meal is prepared and consumed, and transporting food to the table are excluded from consideration when assessing the patient's feeding/eating ability.

M1880, Planning & Preparing Light Meals - The focus is on the patient's ability to plan and prepare meals once the patient is in the meal preparation location. The ability to access the location where meals are prepared is excluded from consideration when assessing the patient's meal planning and preparation ability.

M1890, Telephone Use - The focus is on the patient's ability to use a phone once it is within the patient's reach. The ability to access the location where the telephone is stored is excluded from consideration when assessing the patient's ability to use the telephone.