

SECTION GG FAQS

What are some changes with PDGM that involve Section GG?

One of the changes made to OASIS-D, effective 01/01/2019, was to ensure adherence to the IMPACT (Improv-ing Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation) Act of 2014. Included in this was the requirement of the use of standardized PAC (post-acute care) assessments across different care settings. The new OASIS-D section GG: Functional Abilities and Goals is one example of how this requirement is met.

What are some examples of Section GG items connected to the new OASIS-D?

- GG0100 Prior Functioning: Everyday Activities asks to record a patient's ability with everyday activities prior to the current illness, exacerbation or injury for self-care, indoor mobility (ambulation), stairs and functional cognition.
- GG0110 Prior Device Use captures the devices and aids used by the patient, also prior to the current illness, exacerbation or injury.
- GG0130 Self-Care asks for recoding of the patient's usual performance at SOC/ROC for various activities using a 6-point scale. If the activity was not performed at SOC/ROC the reason why is to be coded.

What are some activities that are included for recoding self-care tasks in GG0130?

- Eating
- Oral hygiene
- Toileting hygiene
- Showering/bathing self
- Upper body dressing
- Lower body dressing
- Putting on/taking off footwear

Is mobility considered in coding a patient's usual performance at SOC/ROC?

Yes. GG0170 Mobility asks that the patient's usual performance at SOC/ROC for each activity is coded using a 6-point scale. Some of these activities within GG0170 include, but are not limited to, walking ten feet, use of a wheelchair and/or scooter, chair/bed-to-chair transfer, and car transfer.

How do these changes to Section GG affect clinicians?

The scoring of GG0130 and GG0170 is reverse from what clinicians were likely used to from previous OASIS scoring. With these GG items, the higher the OASIS score, or number, the more independent the patient is with a certain task.

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