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# M0440

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Does this patient have a **Skin Lesion** or an **Open Wound**? This excludes "OSTOMIES."

- 0 - No [ If No, go to *M0490* ]
- 1 - Yes

# M0440:

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- Definition: Area of pathologically altered tissue
- Exclude: All ostomies and peripheral IV sites

# M0445

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Does this patient have a **Pressure Ulcer**?

- 0 - No [ If No, go to *M0468* ]
- 1 - Yes

# M0450

**(M0450) Current Number of Pressure Ulcers at Each Stage:** (Circle one response for each stage.)

Pressure Ulcer Stages		Number of Pressure Ulcers				
a)	Stage 1: Nonblanchable erythema of intact skin; the heralding of skin ulceration. In darker-pigmented skin, warmth, edema, hardness, or discolored skin may be indicators.	0	1	2	3	4 or more
b)	Stage 2: Partial thickness skin loss involving epidermis and/or dermis. The ulcer is superficial and presents clinically as an abrasion, blister, or shallow crater.	0	1	2	3	4 or more
c)	Stage 3: Full-thickness skin loss involving damage or necrosis of subcutaneous tissue which may extend down to, but not through, underlying fascia. The ulcer presents clinically as a deep crater with or without undermining of adjacent tissue.	0	1	2	3	4 or more
d)	Stage 4: Full-thickness skin loss with extensive destruction, tissue necrosis, or damage to muscle, bone, or supporting structures (e.g., tendon, joint capsule, etc.)	0	1	2	3	4 or more
e)	In addition to the above, is there at least one pressure ulcer that cannot be observed due to the presence of eschar or a nonremovable dressing, including casts?					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 - No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Yes					

# M0460

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## **(M0460)\* Stage of Most Problematic (Observable) Pressure Ulcer:**

- 1 - Stage 1
- 2 - Stage 2
- 3 - Stage 3
- 4 - Stage 4
- NA - No observable pressure ulcer

\* At Follow-up, following the item number (M0460), insert the phrase "skip this item if patient has no pressure ulcers."

# M0464

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## **(M0464) Status of Most Problematic (Observable) Pressure Ulcer:**

- 1 - Fully granulating
- 2 - Early/partial granulation
- 3 - Not healing
- NA - No observable pressure ulcer

# M0445 - M0464:

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- When is a pressure ulcer nonobservable?
- Reverse staging is NOT appropriate practice
- What if a pressure ulcer has healed?
- Chemical or instrumental debridement does not make ulcer a surgical wound

# M0468

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Does this patient have a **Stasis Ulcer**?

- 1 - No [ If No, go to *M0482* ]
- 2 - Yes

# M0470

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## **(M0470) Current Number of Observable Stasis Ulcer(s):**

- 0 - Zero
- 1 - One
- 2 - Two
- 3 - Three
- 4 - Four or more

# M0474

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Does this patient have at least one **Stasis Ulcer that Cannot be Observed** due to the presence of a nonremovable dressing?

- 1 - No
- 2 - Yes

# M0476

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## **(M0476)\* Status of Most Problematic (Observable) Stasis Ulcer:**

- 1 - Fully granulating
- 2 - Early/partial granulation
- 3 - Not healing
- NA - No observable stasis ulcer

\* At Follow-up, following the item number (M0476) insert the phrase "skip this item if patient has no stasis ulcers."

# M0482

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Does this patient have a **Surgical Wound**?

- 0 - No [ **If No, go to *M0490*** ]
- 1 - Yes

# M0484

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**(M0484) Current Number of (Observable) Surgical Wounds:** (If a wound is partially closed but has more than one opening, consider each opening as a separate wound.):

- 0 - Zero
- 1 - One
- 2 - Two
- 3 - Three
- 4 - Four or more

# M0486

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Does this patient have at least one **Surgical Wound that Cannot be Observed** due to the presence of a nonremovable dressing??

- 0 - No
- 1 - Yes

# M0488

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## **(M0488)\* Status of Most Problematic (Observable) Surgical Wound:**

- 1 - Fully granulating
- 2 - Early/partial granulation
- 3 - Not healing
- NA - No observable surgical wound

\* At Follow-up, following the item number (M0488) insert the phrase, "skip this item if patient has no surgical wound(s)."

# M0482 - M0488:

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- Includes: pin sites, central lines, implanted infusion devices or venous access devices
- Excludes: peripheral IV sites, healed surgical wounds (scars)
- Don't count staples or sutures
- When is a surgical wound nonobservable?

# M0440-M0488: Relevance for Care Planning

# M0440 - M0488: Relevance for Care Planning (cont'd)

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- Indications for direct care
- Evaluating efficacy of treatments/meds
- Indications for visit frequency
- Impact of medical restrictions on functioning

# M0440 - M0488: Relevance for Care Planning (cont'd)

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- Safety implications
- Anticipated patient and caregiver teaching
- Implications for treatment goals
- Discharge planning