

Long-Term Care Survey Alert

MDS 3.0 Corner: Test Your MDS 3.0 Coding Know How

Try your hand at these questions.

1. When do you do the mood assessment in Section D?
 - A. On the day of the assessment reference date
 - B. Preferably on the day of or the day before the ARD
 - C. Any time during a 30-day lookback
2. The Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) can be done in writing in which of the following scenarios?
 - A. When writing is the resident's primary method of communication.
 - B. If the MDS nurse thinks that approach would be more accurate.
 - C. Whenever the resident or his family requests to complete the form in writing.
3. Which of the following is a true statement about coding in Section M?
 - A. Section M requires you to code whether a resident is at risk for pressure ulcers.
 - B. You only code preventive interventions, not whether the resident is at risk.
4. Where is diarrhea coded on the MDS 3.0?
 - A. In Section H as part of bowel patterns
 - B. In Section J under problem conditions
 - C. What is this a trick question? Diarrhea is not on the MDS 3.0

See the answers in the next Long-Term Care Survey Alert.