MDS Alert

Coding Quizzer: Coding Section O

Use the Medication Administration Record below to code items O1 to O4.

How would you code the medications in Section O as they appear on the MAR below and based on the following additional information? The resident began taking zolpidem 10 mg 1 tab HS 35 days ago. The sulfamethoxazole and trimethoprim was started one day ago. She receives Ensure as a nutritional supplement.

Answer:

Section O1 (number of medications): 11 (when you add all of the medications listed excluding Ensure, which doesn't count as a medication)

O2 (new medications initiated within 90 days): 2

O3 (numbers of days of injections): 1 day (flu vaccine)

O4 (the number of days the resident took medications in the following classifications):

Antipsychotic: 0
Antianxiety agent: 0
Antidepressant: 7 (paroxetine)
Hypnotic: 7 (zolpidem)
Diuretic: 0

Source: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Webcast, "Improving MDS Accuracy - Disease, Diagnosis, Medications and Health Conditions."