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Clip and Save: Manage OASIS-C, Diagnosis Coding Pressure Ulcer Conflicts

Do you know when a grafted pressure ulcer becomes a surgical wound?

OASIS-C logic and ICD-9 coding logic don't always agree. That's certainly the case when it comes to pressure ulcer staging. When skin or muscle grafts are used to treat a pressure ulcer, you have to know when to consider the site a surgical wound and when it remains a pressure ulcer.

This handy chart from **Trish Twombly, BSN, RN, HCS-D, CHCE, COS-C**, director of coding with **Foundation Management Services** in Denton, Texas will help you remember how to make that call.

