

OASIS Alert

Education: How Does A Disease Exacerbation Fit Into M0200?

Look to the results of the intensification.

True or False: The increased severity of a disease can be considered a change in medical or treatment regimen when answering item M0200 (Medical or treatment regimen change within past 14 days).

Answer: False. The disease exacerbation itself is not considered a change in medical or treatment regimen, the **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** instructs in its July 27 answers to this question from the **OASIS Certificate and Competency Board**. However, changes in medication, service or treatment that might result from the exacerbation or from a new diagnosis "would warrant a 'Yes' response in M0200," CMS adds.