

## OASIS Alert

### Education: Swelling Still Stumps Some Staff

**Question: True or False?** Edema counts as a wound or lesion when you are answering OASIS item M0440.

**Answer: True.** Changes in the shape of the skin surface - such as a cyst, nodule or edema - are considered skin lesions when answering M0440, the **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** says in question and answer number 63 in the OASIS Q&As, found at [www.qtso.com/hdownload.html](http://www.qtso.com/hdownload.html)