

OASIS Alert

OBQI: Your Care Is Reduced To 11 Outcomes For Public Comparison

While three patient outcomes will receive newspaper publicity, all 11 outcomes chosen for the home health quality improvement project will be available this month for nationwide comparison online at www. medicare.gov, under the Home Health Compare section.

The 11 comparison outcomes address the percentage of patients who:

- 1. Get better at getting dressed.
- 2. Get better at bathing.
- 3. Are confused less often.
- 4. Get better at taking their medicines correctly (by mouth).
- 5. Get better at walking or moving around.
- 6. Get better getting to and from the toilet.
- 7. Get better at getting in and out of bed.
- 8. Have less pain when moving around.
- 9. Stay the same (don't get worse) at bathing.
- 10. Need urgent unplanned medical care.
- 11. Had to be admitted to the hospital.