

MDS 3.0 Look-Back Periods

The look-back period for MDS 3.0 items is 7 days, except as noted in the table below. A standard 7-day look-back period counts back from and includes the Assessment Reference Date (ARD+6 previous days) but does not include history from before admission.

Items	Look Back
A0310E	Look back to most recent admission/entry or re-entry.
A1600 to A1800	Look back to most recent admission/entry or re-entry.
A2200	The prior comprehensive or quarterly assessment in which a significant error has been identified and a correction is required.
A2400	Look back to Medicare Part A covered stay since the most recent admission/entry or re-entry.
C0200 to C0500	The BIMS interview is conducted during the 7-day look-back. However, the specific items do not use a look-back.
C1600	Compare mental status in the past 7 days, or in the BMS, to medical record prior to 7-day look-back.
Section D	The PHQ-9 interview is completed preferably the day before or day of the ARD. The resident interview items use a 14-day look-back from, and including, the date of the interview. Use a 14-day look-back from, and including, the ARD if you are required to complete the staff assessment of resident mood.
E1100	Review prior assessment for comparison to items E0100 - E1000.
F0400 and F0500	Facility to complete interview during the 7-day look-back. Resident look-back to answer questions is "while you are in this facility."
H0200A	Look back to the most recent admission/readmission assessment, the most recent prior assessment, or to when incontinence was first noted.
H0200B	Look back to the most recent prior toileting program trial.
Section I	Diagnosis identification is a 60-day look-back. Diagnosis status is a 7-day look-back, except ... I2300 (UTI) is a 30-day look-back.
J0100 to J0850	5-day look-back.
J1400	Review active clinical record.
J1700A	Look-back is for the 1 month prior to admission.

J1700B	Look-back is for months 2-6 prior to admission.
J1700C	Look-back is for the 6 months prior to admission.
J1800 and J1900	If this is the first assessment since the most recent entry then look back to admission. If this is not the first assessment since the most recent entry then look back to prior assessment.
K0200A	On admission or look back to most recent measurement within one year.
K0200B	On admission or look back to most recent measurement within 30 days.
K0300	Compare current weight to weight from 30 days ago and 180 days ago.
K0500	7-day look-back at the nursing home or at the hospital, as an outpatient or an inpatient, provided they were administered for nutrition or hydration.
M0300B2 M0300C2 M0300D2 M0300E2 M0300F2 M0300G2	7-day look-back compared to most recent admission/entry or re-entry.
M0800 and M0900	Look back to ARD of prior assessment (OBRA, PPS, or Discharge).
Section N	7-day look-back period (or since admission/reentry if less than 7 days).
O0100 column 1	Performed while NOT a resident of this facility and within the last 14 days.
O0100 column 2	Performed while a resident of this facility and within the last 14 days.
O0250	Look back to beginning of current year influenza season.
O0300	Look back to resident birth (recommended beginning age of dosage is 2 years).
O0600 and O0700	14-day look-back or since admission if less than 14 days ago.
Q0100	Look back to beginning of assessment process.
Q0400	Look back to admission for discharge plan that must be active on ARD.
V0100	Look back to prior assessment.

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