

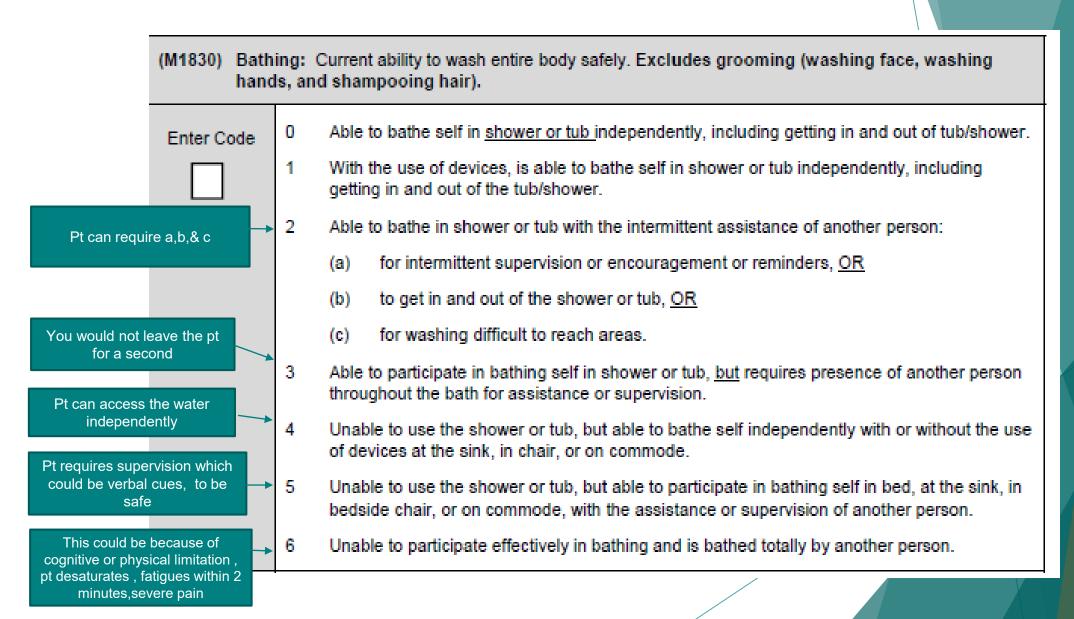
General Guidelines for Accurate Assessment:

- Always score prior to any teaching or interventions
- Score from the bottom up, starting from the most dependent level to the most independent level
 of functioning
- Observation is required to obtain accurate information
- Complete an OASIS Walk
- The OASIS WALK includes: patient ambulation/or wheel chair mobility, transferring in/out of bed, transferring on/off the toilet or commode, and in/out of the shower, if it is safe to do so
- If you do not feel it is safe or the patient is unable to transfer in/out of the shower for any reason on day of assessment, then the patient is unable to use the shower and should be scored at some level of sponge bathing
- Consider what the patient is ABLE TO DO SAFELY on the day of the assessment
- Verbal cues, reminders, stand by assist, and hands on assist are all forms of supervision

Guidelines for Accurate Assessment Continued

- Identifies the patient's ability to bathe the entire body and the assistance required to safely bathe including the ability to transfer in/out of the tub/shower.
- Consider the risk for potential injury/fall, including endurance, pain level, cognitive abilities, endurance, strength
- Excludes washing face hands and shampooing hair, gathering supplies, preparing the water, drying off after the bath
- ▶ Pt is unable to use tub/shower if ...
 - the shower is nonfunctioning
 - adaptive equipment needed but not in the home yet
 - ▶ if the adaptive equipment is unsafe
 - patient has a medical restriction
 - there are environmental barriers to get to the shower/tub
- If you do not feel it is safe or the patient is unable to access the shower or transfer in/out of the shower for any reason on day of assessment, then the patient is unable to use the shower and should be scored at some level of sponge bathing
- ▶ If patient is able to use the shower -determine if they need intermittent or constant supervision
- Remember you are scoring the patient's ability to bathe not their willingness
- ▶ If ability varies over time choose the response describing the pt's ability more than 50% of the time

M1830 Bathing



Case Scenario

Mr. Jones has severe back pain, is suffering from fatigue and dyspnea with minimal exertion. The nurse notes that the pt can tolerate standing for only 10 seconds and had moderate to severe dyspnea when removing his sweater in sitting. How would you score this patient for bathing.

- QA Discussion:
 - ▶ What would be the correct response to M1830?
 - ➤ Supporting reasons why?
 - ► Examples of documentation to support the OASIS answer

(M1830) Bathing: Current ability to wash entire body safely. Excludes grooming (washing face, washing hands, and shampooing hair). Able to bathe self in shower or tub independently, including getting in and out of tub/shower. Enter Code With the use of devices, is able to bathe self in shower or tub independently, including getting in and out of the tub/shower. Able to bathe in shower or tub with the intermittent assistance of another person: for intermittent supervision or encouragement or reminders, OR (a) to get in and out of the shower or tub, OR for washing difficult to reach areas. (c) Able to participate in bathing self in shower or tub, but requires presence of another person throughout the bath for assistance or supervision. Unable to use the shower or tub, but able to bathe self independently with or without the use of devices at the sink, in chair, or on commode. Unable to use the shower or tub, but able to participate in bathing self in bed, at the sink, in bedside chair, or on commode, with the assistance or supervision of another person. Unable to participate effectively in bathing and is bathed totally by another person. 6

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Supporting reasons why?
Examples of documentation to support the OASIS answer



