

Star Rating/Value Based Purchasing

Ambulation is one of the Star Rating and Value Based Purchasing questions. The information below will give you guidance for answering the question.

(M1860) Ambulation/Locomotion: Current ability to walk **safely**, once in a standing position, or use a wheelchair, once in a seated position, on a variety of surfaces.

0 - Able to independently walk on even and uneven surfaces and negotiate stairs with or without railings (specifically: needs no human assistance or assistive device).

1 - With the use of a one-handed device (for example, cane, single crutch, hemi-walker), able to independently walk on even and uneven surfaces and negotiate stairs with or without railings.

2 - Requires use of a two-handed device (for example, walker or crutches) to walk alone on a level surface and/or requires human supervision or assistance to negotiate stairs or steps or uneven surfaces.

3 - Able to walk only with the supervision or assistance of another person at all times.

4 - Chair fast, unable to ambulate but is able to wheel self independently.

5 - Chairfast, unable to ambulate and is unable to wheel self.

6 - Bedfast, unable to ambulate or be up in a chair.

YOU MUST USE THE ADL TAB FOR ALL OASIS TIME POINTS

Guidelines for Assessment

- Score patient prior to any teaching/interventions
- Start from the bottom and work your way up -the patient must be able to complete all tasks at that level, if not go back down to previous level
- Observation **is required** to obtain accurate information
- The clinician must consider what the patient is **ABLE TO DO safely** on the day of the assessment
- You must document limitations in the note to match choices on the Oasis
- Consider the risk for potential injury/fall
- If the patient requires verbal cues to slow down, for pacing, to use device, or to use device appropriately then they require supervision and they are at least **a 3 for amb**
- Would you be surprised if you got a report that the patient fell? –No, then they need supervision and they are at least **3 for amb**
- Is the patient **safe?**– NO, then pt is at least a **3 for amb**
- Does the pt have the needed assistive device? No, then they are at least a **3 for amb**
- Is the pt using walls and furniture **yes**- then they are least a **3 for amb**
- Did the pt score greater than a 3 on the Mahc 10? Yes, then they are at risk for falls and at least a **3 for amb**

