J1300. Current Tobacco Use.

Question: If a resident uses an electronic cigarette or a vape pen, should J1300 be coded as 1. Yes, indicating the resident has current tobacco use?

Answer: The intent for item J1300 is to capture the use of tobacco in any form, not the use of nicotine in any form. Item J1300 should be coded 0. No if the resident is not using tobacco.

O0110G2. BiPAP vs. O02110G3. CPAP.

Question: I have a resident using an average volume-assured pressure support (AVAPS) non-invasive mechanical ventilation and I am wondering if AVAPS should be coded as a BiPAP, CPAP, or not at all on the MDS?

Answer: Based on information provided by the National Institute of Health (see the links below for more information), AVAPS is most closely aligned with BiPAP and should be coded at O0110G2, BiPAP when used during the look-back period.

- Average Volume-Assured Pressure Support https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK560600/.
- Role of Average Volume Assured Pressure Support Mode (AVAPS) in the Management of Acute Exacerbation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease with Type 2 Respiratory Failure https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC9811600/.

N0415. High Risk Drug Classes: Use and Indication.

Question: Should N0415A, Antipsychotic be coded as 1. Is Taking if the resident is participating in a drug study for a possible new antipsychotic medication even though there is no way to know if the resident is receiving the actual medication or a placebo?

Answer: When a resident is involved in a medication trial and it is unknown if they are receiving the medication or the placebo, you should consider the resident to be taking the trial medication and N0415A1 should be checked.