

For those providers completing the Optional State Assessments (OSAs), i.e., those who did not freeze their case mix score or did not respond to survey by October 1, 2023, the following guidance applies.

OSAs completed for which residents?

- ODM is not requiring OSAs to be completed for residents who do not have Medicaid as the payer. MyCare members should have an OSA for every OBRA MDS. Providers need to be certain of the payer status when completing OSAs for the OBRA assessments. If a resident is in pending status when the OBRA MDS is completed, please include the OSA as well. If an OSA is not completed for a Medicaid resident, RUGs will assign the person to the default group.

Assessment Reference Dates (ARDs)

- ARDs for the OBRA and the OSA must match.

Submission of OSAs

- OSAs must be transmitted to iQIES with other MDSs.
- OSA should be submitted concurrently with the OBRA and other assessments.

The OSA is not required with any discharge assessments unless the discharge assessment is combined with another OBRA.

Weekly reports

- The 9-30 quarterly report will be generated by Myers & Stauffer. This quarterly report will still contain assessments for non-Medicaid residents. Subsequent quarterly reports will not include non-Medicaid assessments.
- Matching the OBRA with the OSA will not occur until the quarterly report process given the MDSs may be submitted in different batches. The weekly report will not attempt to match the OBRA and OSA. Review of quarterly report then is important to ensure no resident is assigned default RUGS group.