Being reimbursed for the work your agency has provided is critical to growth and success. The points accumulated from responses to these OASIS items determine if the patient is categorized as having a low, medium, or high functional impairment. The points needed to progress between levels will vary based upon the Clinical Grouping.

Functional Items Scoring Tips:

- Timeframe: 24 hours preceding the visit only
- Varying performance: Score is based on patient's ability 50 percent or more of the time assessed
- Conduct an assessment, not an interview: The patient must be up and moving *MAKE THEM SHOW YOU!*
- Accurate assessments combine methods of observation, interview, and collaboration with other clinicians with direct patient contact during the assessment timeframe

M1800 – Grooming – Consider <u>ability</u>, rather than willingness or actual performance, to <u>safely</u> perform grooming tasks

- This measure specifically includes: washing face and hands; shaving or applying makeup; teeth or denture care; and fingernail care
- This measure excludes: bathing, shampooing hair, and toilet hygiene Response of 2 or higher = 4 points

M1810/M1820 – Dressing Upper Body/Dressing Lower Body – Consider <u>ability</u>, rather than willingness or actual performance, to <u>safely</u> obtain, put on, and take off clothing that is regularly worn

- These measures specifically include: managing zippers, buttons, and snaps; managing undergarments (e.g. hooking bra); and managing prosthetics and support devices (e.g. anti-embolism garments)
- Nurses may be well positioned to observe the removal and replacement of upper body clothing in the process of listening to heart and lung sounds as well as the removal and replacement of shoes and socks when checking pedal pulses and observing skin integrity. M1810 response of 2 or higher = 6 points M1820 response



•