

OASIS ITEM:
(M0020) Patient ID Number: _____
DEFINITION:
Agency-specific patient identifier. This is the identification code the agency assigns to the patient and uses for record keeping purposes for this episode of care.
TIME POINTS ITEM(S) COMPLETED:
SOC (Patient Tracking Sheet)
RESPONSE—SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The patient ID number may stay the same from one admission to the next or may change with each subsequent admission, depending on agency policy. However, it should remain constant throughout a single episode of care (e.g., from admission to discharge). • If there are fewer digits than spaces provided, leave spaces at the end blank.
ASSESSMENT STRATEGIES:
Agency medical records department is the usual source of this number.