



# M1340 Cheat Sheet

## IS IT A SURGICAL WOUND?

### HERE'S A QUICK GUIDE TO DECIDE:

#### YES:

- A surgical “takedown” or reversal of a previous ostomy, which creates a wound
- Orthopedic pin sites
- Abscess treated with incision and drain **only** if a drain has been placed
- Central line sites, Mediport sites, portacath sites, implanted venous access device (*even if the implantation site has healed.*)  
Device does not need to be functional or accessed.
- Implanted infusion device (*even if the device is not presently functional*)
- Peritoneal dialysis catheter, AV shunt (*even if abandoned*)
- Muscle flap, skin advancement flap, or rotational flap to surgically replace a pressure ulcer
- Shave, punch, or excisional biopsy to remove/diagnose lesions
- Skin graft **donor** site
- Skin graft applied to a burn or a pressure ulcer
- Surgical procedure performed via arthroscopy
- Total surgical excision of pressure ulcer damage
- Paracentesis site (if drain placed)
- I&D with drain placement
- Wounds with drain placement (*even after the drain is removed, the drain opening was created percutaneously or the drain was inserted into a puncture site, such as a stab wound or paracentesis*)
- Procedures beyond I&D such as excision of necrotic mass, mesh, or other appliances or structures (*beyond simple I&D*)
- Surgical repair of traumatic injury such as ruptured organs, torn tendons, ligaments, or muscles, and fractures (*beyond simple suture of traumatic laceration*)
- LVAD exit site
- Incision or “cut down” created to perform procedure per femoral sheath
- Incision site until healed for pacemaker, internal defibrillator, VP shunt, balloon catheter
- Procedure beyond a simple excision of toenail

#### NO:

- All ostomies (*openings that end in stomy” with or without a drain*)
- An ostomy site closing on its own (*without surgical reversal*)
- Chest tube site with or without a drain/tube
- The surgical line around a fresh ostomy stoma (*the peristomal or mucocutaneous suture line*)
- Debridement (*does not change a burn, pressure ulcer, stasis ulcer, or traumatic wound into a surgical wound*)
- Simple I&D of an abscess
- Simple closure of a traumatic laceration by sutures or stitches
- Cardiac catheterization performed via needle puncture (*even if stent placed*)
- PICCs (*even if insertion required fluoroscopy*)
- Implanted pacemakers/internal defibrillators (*after original incision has healed*)
- External infusion device infusing meds SQ
- Arthrocentesis, thoracentesis, and paracentesis sites utilized for simple aspiration of fluid
- I&D with bone biopsy within a diabetic foot ulcer
- Peripheral IVs sutured in place
- Pressure ulcer sutured shut
- Cataract surgery
- Surgery to mucosal membrane
- Gynecological surgery via vaginal approach
- Skin graft **recipient** site (*unless it already qualifies as a surgical wound on OASIS, such as a grafted pressure ulcer or a grafted burn*)
- Enterocutaneous fistula
- Pressure ulcers treated with surgical debridement
- Abscess that has been incised/drained without placement of drain
- Surgeries to mucous membranes
- VP shunt after original incision heals
- Removal of callus
- Removal or simple excision of toenail
- Needle puncture sites without a drain
- Needle aspiration of fluid without drain placement