

### Carotid Endarterectomy — Use of Patch During Conventional Carotid Endarterectomy

*This measure is to be reported **each time** a patient undergoes a carotid endarterectomy procedure during the reporting period. It is anticipated that clinicians who perform the listed surgical procedure as specified in the denominator coding will submit this measure.*

#### Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older undergoing conventional (non-eversion) carotid endarterectomy who undergo patch closure of the arteriotomy

#### What will you need to report for each patient undergoing CEA for this measure?

If you select this measure for reporting, you will need to determine:

- Whether or not you performed a non-eversion conventional CEA<sup>1</sup>

If you performed a non-eversion conventional CEA<sup>1</sup>, you will then need to report:

- Whether or not you performed a patch closure of the arteriotomy (vein or synthetic)

#### What if this process or outcome of care is not appropriate for your patient?

Some measures provide an opportunity for the physician or eligible health professional to document when a process or outcome of care is not appropriate for a given patient (also called performance exclusions). Because this measure is applicable to most if not all patients, there are no allowable performance exclusions.

<sup>1</sup>Non-eversion, conventional CEA involves a longitudinal arteriotomy incision with plaque extraction requiring closure of the arteriotomy with or without a patch (vein or synthetic).