

Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT) Prophylaxis for Ischemic Stroke or Intracranial Hemorrhage

*This measure is to be reported for all patients aged 18 years and older undergoing active treatment for ischemic stroke or intracranial hemorrhage for **each hospital stay** during the reporting period.*

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of ischemic stroke or intracranial hemorrhage who received DVT prophylaxis by end of hospital day two

What will you need to report for each hospital stay for patients under active treatment for ischemic stroke or intracranial hemorrhage for this measure?

If you select this measure for reporting, you will report:

- Whether or not your patient received deep vein thrombosis (DVT) prophylaxis¹ by the end of hospital day two

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

There may be times when it is not appropriate for a patient to receive DVT prophylaxis by the end of hospital day two, due to:

- Medical reasons (eg, not indicated, contraindicated, other medical reason including physician documentation that patient is ambulatory) OR
- Patient reasons (eg, patient declined, economic, social, religious, other patient reason)

In these cases, you will need to indicate which reason applies, and specify the reason on the worksheet and in the medical chart. The office/billing staff will then report a code with a modifier that represents these valid reasons (also called exclusions).

¹For purposes of this measure, DVT prophylaxis can include Low Molecular Weight Heparin (LMWH), Low-Dose Unfractionated Heparin (LDUH), intravenous Heparin, low-dose subcutaneous heparin, or intermittent pneumatic compression devices.