Use of Internal Mammary Artery (IMA) in Patients with Isolated CABG Surgery

This measure is to be reported **each time** an isolated CABG procedure¹ is performed during the reporting period. It is anticipated that clinicians who provide services for isolated CABG will submit this measure.

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older undergoing isolated CABG surgery using an IMA graft

What will you need to report each time an isolated CABG procedure is performed for this measure?

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

■ Whether or not you performed an IMA graft

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

There may be times when it is not appropriate to perform an IMA graft, due to:

 Medical reasons (eg, not indicated, contraindicated, other medical reason)

In these cases, you will need to indicate that the medical 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.)

¹This measure does not include patients undergoing a repeat CABG surgery. This measure includes patients undergoing a CABG surgery using arterial and/or venous grafts only.