

Prevention of Catheter-Related Bloodstream Infections (CRBSI) — Central Venous Catheter Insertion Protocol

This measure is to be reported each time a central venous catheter (CVC) insertion is performed for all patients, regardless of age, during the reporting period. It is anticipated that clinicians who perform CVC insertion will submit this measure.

Measure description

Percentage of patients, regardless of age, who undergo CVC insertion for whom CVC was inserted with all elements of maximal sterile barrier technique [cap AND mask AND sterile gown AND sterile gloves AND a large sterile sheet AND hand hygiene AND 2% chlorhexidine for cutaneous antisepsis (or acceptable alternative antiseptics per current guideline)] followed

What will you need to report for each patient undergoing CVC insertion for this measure?

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

- Whether or not you followed all elements of maximal sterile barrier technique¹ [cap AND mask AND sterile gown AND sterile gloves AND a large sterile sheet AND hand hygiene AND 2% chlorhexidine for cutaneous antisepsis (or acceptable alternative antiseptics per current guideline)]

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

There may be times when it is not possible to follow all elements of maximal sterile barrier technique, due to:

- Medical reasons (eg, CVC insertion performed on emergency basis, 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).

¹Maximal Sterile Barrier Technique during CVC Insertion — Includes use of all of the following: Cap AND mask AND sterile gown AND sterile gloves AND a large sterile sheet AND hand hygiene AND 2% chlorhexidine for cutaneous antisepsis (or acceptable alternative antiseptics, per current guideline).