Advance Care Plan

This measure is to be reported for all patients aged 65 years and older seen by the clinician — a minimum of **once** during the reporting period.

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 65 years and older who have an advance care plan or surogate decision maker documented in the medical record or documentation in the medical record that an advance care plan was discussed but the patient did not wish or was not able to name a surrogate decision maker or provide an advance care plan

What will you need to report for each patient aged 65 years and older for this measure?

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

- Whether or not you documented a surrogate decision-maker or advance care plan in the medical record OR
- Whether or not you documented that you discussed an advance care plan in the medical record but patient did not wish or was not able to name a surrogate decision maker or provide an advance care plan¹

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.

¹May also include, as appropriate, that the patient's cultural and/or spiritual beliefs preclude a discussion of advance care planning, as it would be viewed as harmful to the patient's beliefs and thus harmful to the physician-patient relationship.