



2015 Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) Claims/Registry Measure Specifications Manual Release Notes

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2015 PQRS Measure Specifications Manual for Claims and Registry Release Notes

CMS is pleased to announce the release of the 2015 Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS) Measure Specifications Manual for Claims and Registry Release Notes. Measure developers, professional organizations, and other stakeholders have provided comments, clarifications and technical corrections. The list below details changes to existing measures made since the release of the 2014 PQRS Measure Specifications. Version 8.0 of the Release Notes corresponds to version 9.0 of the posted 2015 PQRS Measure Specifications Manual for Claims and Registry.

Measure Specification Manual Overview Edits:

- Updated Copyright Information, Including Applicable Measure Steward Changes
- Added Performance Met, Medical Performance Exclusion, Patient Performance Exclusion, System Performance Exclusion, Other Performance Exclusion, and Performance Not Met labels to Numerator Quality-Data Coding Options for Reporting Satisfactorily and Numerator Options
- Added National Quality Strategy Domain to Specification Manual

Measure #1: Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Poor Control

- Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99455, 99456

Measure #2: Diabetes: Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL-C) Control (<100 mg/dL)

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #5: Heart Failure (HF): Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD)

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #6: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Antiplatelet Therapy

- Deleted Claims Reporting Mechanism Updated Description, Instructions and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #7: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Beta-Blocker Therapy – Prior Myocardial Infarction (MI) or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF < 40%)

- Deleted from Registry Individual Measure Reporting
- Updated Instructions, Denominator Statement (Reporting Criteria 1 and 2)
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding (Reporting Criteria 1 and 2) ICD-9-CM Codes 410.00, 410.01, 410.02, 410.10, 410.11, 410.12, 410.20, 410.21, 410.22, 410.30, 410.31, 410.32, 410.40, 410.41, 410.42, 410.50, 410.51, 410.52, 410.60, 410.61, 410.62, 410.70, 410.71, 410.72, 410.80, 410.81, 410.82, 410.90, 410.91, 410.92, 412
- Deleted from Denominator Coding (Reporting Criteria 1 and 2) ICD-10-CM Codes I21.01, I21.02, I21.09, I21.11, I21.19, I21.21, I21.29, I21.3, I21.4, I22.0, I22.1, I22.2, I22.8, I22.9, I25.2
- Deleted CPT Coding (Reporting Criteria 2), 92980, 92981, 92982, 92984, 92995, 92996

Measure #8: Heart Failure (HF): Beta-Blocker Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD)

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #9: Anti-depressant Medication Management

- Deleted from Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #12: Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Optic Nerve Evaluation

- Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #14: Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD): Dilated Macular Examination

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Updated Definitions (Macular Thickening, Severity of Macular Degeneration)

Measure #18: Diabetic Retinopathy: Documentation of Presence or Absence of Macular Edema and Level of Severity of Retinopathy

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #19: Diabetic Retinopathy: Communication with the Physician Managing Ongoing Diabetes Care

- Updated Definition (Findings), Numerator Options, Numerator Option Descriptions and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #20: Perioperative Care: Timing of Prophylactic Parenteral Antibiotic – Ordering Physician

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #21: Perioperative Care: Selection of Prophylactic Antibiotic – First OR Second Generation Cephalosporin

- Updated Numerator Options and Rationale
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 22633, 34841, 34842, 34843, 34844, 34845, 34846, 34847, 34848, 63046
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 60200, 60210, 60212, 60220, 60225, 60240, 60252, 60254, 60260, 60270, 60271, 60280, 60281, 60500, 60502, 60520, 60521, 60522, 60540, 60545, 60600, 60605, 60650

Measure #22: Perioperative Care: Discontinuation of Prophylactic Parenteral Antibiotics (Non-Cardiac Procedures)

- Updated Numerator Options
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 34841, 34842, 34843, 34844, 34845, 34846, 34847, 34848, 22633, 63046
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 60200, 60210, 60212, 60220, 60225, 60240, 60252, 60254, 60260, 60270, 60271, 60280, 60281, 60500, 60502, 60520, 60521, 60522, 60540, 60545, 60600, 60605, 60650

Measure #23: Perioperative Care: Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Prophylaxis (When Indicated in ALL Patients)

- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 19301, 19302, 19303, 19304, 22633, 34841, 34842, 34843, 34844, 34845, 34846, 34847, 34848, 62223, 63030, 63042, 63046

Measure #24: Osteoporosis: Communication with the Physician Managing On-going Care Post-Fracture of Hip, Spine or Distal Radius for Men and Women Aged 50 Years and Older

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding (Option 2), CPT Codes 22520, 22521, 22523, 22524

Measure #28: Aspirin at Arrival for Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #30: Perioperative Care: Timing of Prophylactic Antibiotic—Administering Physician

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #31: Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Prophylaxis for Ischemic Stroke or Intracranial Hemorrhage

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #32: Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Discharged on Antithrombotic Therapy

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #33: Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Anticoagulant Therapy Prescribed for Atrial Fibrillation (AF) at Discharge

- Updated Numerator Options
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #35: Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Screening for Dysphagia

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #36: Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Rehabilitation Services Ordered

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #39: Screening or Therapy for Osteoporosis for Women Aged 65 Years and Older

- Updated Numerator Definition (Pharmacologic Therapy)

Measure #40: Osteoporosis: Management Following Fracture of Hip, Spine or Distal Radius for Men and Women Aged 50 Years and Older

- Updated Numerator Definition (Pharmacologic Therapy)
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding (Option 2), CPT Codes 22520, 22521, 22523, 22524

Measure #41: Osteoporosis: Pharmacologic Therapy for Men and Women Aged 50 Years and Older

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #43: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Use of Internal Mammary Artery (IMA) in Patients with Isolated CABG Surgery

- Reporting Mechanism Changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions and Numerator Option Description for 4110 and 4110 with 1P

Measure #44: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Preoperative Beta-Blocker in Patients with Isolated CABG Surgery

- Updated Numerator Quality Data-Coding Options for Reporting Satisfactorily, Rationale
- Added Denominator Note

Measure #45: Perioperative Care: Discontinuation of Prophylactic Parenteral Antibiotics (Cardiac Procedures)

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #46: Medication Reconciliation

- Updated Description, Denominator Statement, Denominator Criteria, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Deleted Numerator Option
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99495 and 99496

Measure #47: Advance Care Plan

- Added to Denominator Coding, HCPCS Codes G0438 and G0439

Measure #48: Urinary Incontinence: Assessment of Presence or Absence of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older

- Previously NQF 0098, no longer endorsed
- Updated Denominator Statement

Measure #49: Urinary Incontinence: Characterization of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #50: Urinary Incontinence: Plan of Care for Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older

- Previously NQF 0100, no longer endorsed
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #51: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD): Spirometry Evaluation

- Updated Description, Instructions, Numerator Statement, Numerator Instructions, and Numerator Option Headings
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #52: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD): Inhaled Bronchodilator Therapy

- Updated Numerator Option Description
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #53: Asthma: Pharmacologic Therapy for Persistent Asthma – Ambulatory Care Setting

- Updated Description, Instructions, Denominator Statement, Denominator Instructions, Denominator Criteria, and Definition
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #54: Emergency Medicine: 12-Lead Electrocardiogram (ECG) Performed for Non-Traumatic Chest Pain

- Updated Instructions, Clinical Recommendation Statements and Denominator Criteria
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #55: Emergency Medicine: 12-Lead Electrocardiogram (ECG) Performed for Syncope

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #56: Emergency Medicine: Community-Acquired Bacterial Pneumonia (CAP): Vital Signs

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #59: Emergency Medicine: Community-Acquired Bacterial Pneumonia (CAP): Empiric Antibiotic

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #64: Asthma: Assessment of Asthma Control – Ambulatory Care Setting

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #65: Appropriate Treatment for Children with Upper Respiratory Infection (URI)

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #66: Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-10-CM Codes J02.0, J03.00, J03.01

Measure #67: Hematology: Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS) and Acute Leukemias: Baseline Cytogenetic Testing Performed on Bone Marrow

- Reporting Mechanism Changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions, Denominator Statement, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Measure #68: Hematology: Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS): Documentation of Iron Stores in Patients Receiving Erythropoietin Therapy

- Reporting Mechanism Changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions, Denominator Statement, Denominator Criteria, Numerator Options, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Moved Numerator Definition (Erythropoietin Therapy) to Denominator
- Deleted Denominator Note
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding CPT II Code 4090F
- Deleted Numerator Note
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, CPT II Codes 4090F and 4095F

Measure #69: Hematology: Multiple Myeloma: Treatment with Bisphosphonates

- Reporting Mechanism Changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #70: Hematology: Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL): Baseline Flow Cytometry

- Reporting Mechanism Changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #71: Breast Cancer: Hormonal Therapy for Stage IC – IIIC Estrogen Receptor/Progesterone Receptor (ER/PR) Positive Breast Cancer

- Updated Denominator Criteria, and Numerator Options
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #72: Colon Cancer: Chemotherapy for AJCC Stage III Colon Cancer Patients

- Updated, Numerator Option Description
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #76: Prevention of Central Venous Catheter (CVC) - Related Bloodstream Infections

- Updated Title, Description, Numerator Statement, Numerator Definition (Maximal Sterile Barrier Technique) Numerator Option Description, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Add Numerator Definition (Sterile Ultrasound Techniques)

Measure #81: Adult Kidney Disease: Hemodialysis Adequacy: Solute

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #82: Adult Kidney Disease: Peritoneal Dialysis Adequacy: Solute

- Updated Numerator Option Description
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #83: Hepatitis C: Confirmation of Hepatitis C Viremia

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #84: Hepatitis C: Ribonucleic Acid (RNA) Testing Before Initiating Treatment

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #85: Hepatitis C: HCV Genotype Testing Prior to Treatment

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #87: Hepatitis C: Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) Ribonucleic Acid (RNA) Testing Between 4-12 Weeks After Initiation of Treatment

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #91: Acute Otitis Externa (AOE): Topical Therapy

- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99304, 99305, 99306, 99307, 99308, 99309, 99310, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99341, 99342, 99343, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, 99350

Measure #93: Acute Otitis Externa (AOE): Systemic Antimicrobial Therapy – Avoidance of Inappropriate Use

- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99304, 99305, 99306, 99307, 99308, 99309, 99310, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99341, 99342, 99343, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, 99350

Measure #99: Breast Cancer Resection Pathology Reporting: pT Category (Primary Tumor) and pN Category (Regional Lymph Nodes) with Histologic Grade

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #100: Colorectal Cancer Resection Pathology Reporting: pT Category (Primary Tumor) and pN Category (Regional Lymph Nodes) with Histologic Grade

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #102: Prostate Cancer: Avoidance of Overuse of Bone Scan for Staging Low Risk Prostate Cancer Patients

- Reporting Mechanism changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions, Denominator Criteria, and Numerator Options
- Moved Numerator Definition (Risk Strata: Low, Intermediate, or High) to Denominator
- Deleted Denominator Note
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT II Code 3271F
- Deleted Numerator Note
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, CPT II Codes 3271F, 3272F, 3273F, 3274F

Measure #104: Prostate Cancer: Adjuvant Hormonal Therapy for High Risk Prostate Cancer Patients

- Reporting Mechanism changed to Registry Only
- Updated Description, Instructions, Denominator Statement, Denominator Criteria, Numerator Options, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Moved Numerator Definition (Risk Strata: Very Low, Low, Intermediate, High, or Very High) to Denominator
- Added Denominator Definition (External beam radiotherapy)
- Deleted Denominator Note
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-9-CM Codes 196.0, 196.1, 196.2, 196.3, 196.5, 196.6, 196.8, 196.9, 197.0, 197.1, 197.2, 197.3, 197.4, 197.5, 197.6, 197.7, 197.8, 198.0, 198.1, 198.2, 198.3, 198.4, 198.5, 198.6, 198.7, 198.81, 198.82, 198.89
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-10-CM Codes C77.0, C77.1, C77.2, C77.3, C77.4, C77.5, C77.8, C77.9, C78.00, C78.01, C78.02, C78.1, C78.2, C78.30, C78.39, C78.4, C78.5, C78.6, C78.7, C78.80, C78.89, C79.00, C79.01, C79.02, C79.10, C79.11, C79.19, C79.2, C79.31, C79.32, C79.40, C79.49, C79.51, C79.52, C79.60, C79.61, C79.62, C79.70, C79.71, C79.72, C79.81, C79.82, C79.89, C79.9
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Code 77435
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Code G8465
- Deleted Numerator Note
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, G-Codes G8464, G8465

Measure #106: Adult Major Depressive Disorder (MDD): Comprehensive Depression Evaluation: Diagnosis and Severity

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #107: Adult Major Depressive Disorder (MDD): Suicide Risk Assessment

- Deleted Claims/Registry Reporting Mechanism

Measure #108: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Disease Modifying Anti-Rheumatic Drug (DMARD) Therapy

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

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Measure #109: Osteoarthritis (OA): Function and Pain Assessment

- Previously NQF 0050, no longer endorsed
- Updated Numerator Statement
- Added Numerator Note
- Updated Appropriate Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #110: Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization

- Updated Instructions, Numerator Options, and Numerator Option Descriptions
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, G-Code G0919

Measure #111: Pneumonia Vaccination Status for Older Adults

- Updated Instructions

Measure #112: Breast Cancer Screening

- Updated Rationale

Measure #113: Colorectal Cancer Screening

- Updated, Clinical Recommendation Statements

Measure #116: Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Adults With Acute Bronchitis

- Updated Appropriate Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #117: Diabetes: Eye Exam

- Updated Description
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99455, 99456

Measure #118: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy - Diabetes or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF < 40%)

- Updated Numerator Option Descriptions (Reporting Criteria 1 and 2) and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #119: Diabetes: Medical Attention for Nephropathy

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99455, 99456

Measure #121: Adult Kidney Disease: Laboratory Testing (Lipid Profile)

- Deleted Claims Reporting Mechanism Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #122: Adult Kidney Disease: Blood Pressure Management

- Deleted Claims Reporting Mechanism
- Updated Description, Instructions, Definitions, Numerator Statement, Numerator Option Descriptions, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Deleted Numerator Note
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #123: Adult Kidney Disease: Patients on Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agent (ESA) - Hemoglobin Level > 12.0 g/dL

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #126: Diabetes Mellitus: Diabetic Foot and Ankle Care, Peripheral Neuropathy - Neurological Evaluation

- Updated Denominator Criteria, Numerator Definition (Lower Extremity Neurological Exam), and Numerator Options
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, G-Code G8406

Measure #127: Diabetes Mellitus: Diabetic Foot and Ankle Care, Ulcer Prevention - Evaluation of Footwear

- Updated Appropriate Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #128: Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up Plan

- Updated Title, Description, Instructions, Denominator Criteria, Numerator Statement, Numerator Instructions, Numerator Definitions (BMI, Follow-Up Plan, Not Eligible for BMI Calculation or Follow-Up Plan), Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Measure #130: Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record

- Updated Numerator Statement, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Code 96151
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 97110, 97140

Measure #131: Pain Assessment and Follow-Up

- Updated Denominator Criteria, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Code 96151

Measure #134: Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-Up Plan

- Updated Numerator Instructions, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 92557, 92567, 92568, 92626

Measure #137: Melanoma: Continuity of Care – Recall System

- Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #138: Melanoma: Coordination of Care

- Updated Rationale
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #140: Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD): Counseling on Antioxidant Supplement

- Updated Definition(Counseling) and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #141: Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Reduction of Intraocular Pressure (IOP) by 15% OR Documentation of a Plan of Care

- Reporting Mechanism changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #142: Osteoarthritis (OA): Assessment for Use of Anti-Inflammatory or Analgesic Over-the-Counter (OTC) Medications

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #143: Oncology: Medical and Radiation – Pain Intensity Quantified

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, ICD-10-CM Code C44.30

Measure #144: Oncology: Medical and Radiation – Plan of Care for Pain

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, ICD-10-CM Code C44.30
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 96411, 96415, 96417, 96423

Measure #145: Radiology: Exposure Time Reported for Procedures Using Fluoroscopy

- Updated Numerator Option Description, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 0236T, 0237T, 0338T, 0339T, 36251, 37215, 37233, 61630, 61635
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 72291 and 74291

Measure #146: Radiology: Inappropriate Use of “Probably Benign” Assessment Category in Mammography Screening

- Updated Numerator Instructions, Rationale and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #147: Nuclear Medicine: Correlation with Existing Imaging Studies for All Patients Undergoing Bone Scintigraphy

- Updated Numerator Option Description

Measure #154: Falls: Risk Assessment

- Updated Denominator Statement, Numerator Option Description

Measure #155: Falls: Plan of Care

- Updated Denominator Statement, Numerator Option Description, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Measure #156: Oncology: Radiation Dose Limits to Normal Tissues

- Updated Description, Instructions, Denominator Statement, Denominator Criteria, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-9-CM Codes 154.0, 154.1, 154.8, 174.0, 174.1, 174.2, 174.3, 174.4, 174.5, 174.6, 174.8, 174.9, 175.0, 175.9
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-10-CM Codes C19, C20, C21.2, C21.8, C50.011, C50.012, C50.019, C50.021, C50.022, C50.029, C50.111, C50.112, C50.119, C50.121, C50.122, C50.129, C50.211, C50.212, C50.219, C50.221, C50.222, C50.229, C50.311, C50.312, C50.319, C50.321, C50.322, C50.329, C50.411, C50.412, C50.419, C50.421, C50.422, C50.429, C50.511, C50.512, C50.519, C50.521, C50.522, C50.529, C50.611, C50.612, C50.619, C50.621, C50.622, C50.629, C50.811, C50.812, C50.819, C50.821, C50.822, C50.829, C50.911, C50.912, C50.919, C50.921, C50.922, C50.929

Measure #157: Thoracic Surgery: Recording of Clinical Stage Prior to Lung Cancer or Esophageal Cancer Resection

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #159: HIV/AIDS: CD4+ Cell Count or CD4+ Percentage Performed

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #160: HIV/AIDS: Pneumocystis Jiroveci Pneumonia (PCP) Prophylaxis

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #163: Diabetes: Foot Exam

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99455 and 99456
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, G-Code G9224

Measure #164: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Prolonged Intubation

- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements

Measure #165: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Deep Sternal Wound Infection Rate

- Updated Numerator Option Descriptions

Measure #166: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Stroke

- Updated Numerator Statement

Measure #167: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Postoperative Renal Failure

- Updated Denominator Criteria and Numerator Statement

Measure #168: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Surgical Re-Exploration

- Updated Numerator Statement

Measure #169: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Antiplatelet Medications at Discharge

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #170: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Beta-Blockers Administered at Discharge

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #171: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Anti-Lipid Treatment at Discharge

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #172: Hemodialysis Vascular Access Decision-Making by Surgeon to Maximize Placement of Autogenous Arterial Venous (AV) Fistula

- Updated Appropriate Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #173: Preventive Care and Screening: Unhealthy Alcohol Use – Screening

- Updated Instructions, Numerator Definition (Systematic Screening Method), and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 90839, 98960, 98961, 98962

Measure #176: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Tuberculosis Screening

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #177: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Periodic Assessment of Disease Activity

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #178: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Functional Status Assessment

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #179: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Assessment and Classification of Disease Prognosis

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #180: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Glucocorticoid Management

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #181: Elder Maltreatment Screen and Follow-Up Plan

- Updated Instructions, Numerator Definitions (Screen for Elder Maltreatment, Follow-Up Plan and Not Eligible), Numerator Definition Note, Numerator Note, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Measure #182: Functional Outcome Assessment

- Updated Numerator Definitions (Standardized Tool, Functional Outcome Assessment, and Functional Outcome Deficiencies) Numerator Definition Note, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Measure #183: Hepatitis C: Hepatitis A Vaccination in Patients with Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #185: Colonoscopy Interval for Patients with a History of Adenomatous Polyps – Avoidance of Inappropriate Use

- Updated Title, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 44393, 45355, and 45383

Measure #187: Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Thrombolytic Therapy

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99201, 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205, 99241, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245, 99254
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 99218, 99219, 99220, 99224, 99225, 99226, 99231, 99232, 99233, 99281, 99282, 99283, 99284, and 99285

Measure #191: Cataracts: 20/40 or Better Visual Acuity within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery

- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #192: Cataracts: Complications within 30 Days Following Cataract Surgery Requiring Additional Surgical Procedures

- Updated Numerator Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Numerator Instruction Coding, CPT Codes 65800, 65810 and 65815

Measure #193: Perioperative Temperature Management

- Updated Numerator Option Descriptions
- Deleted Numerator Note
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 00452, 00622, 00634
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, CPT II Code 4256F
- Added to Numerator Coding, G Codes G9362, G9363

Measure #194: Oncology: Cancer Stage Documented

- Reporting Mechanism changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #195: Radiology: Stenosis Measurement in Carotid Imaging Reports

- Updated Numerator Statement and Rationale

Measure #197: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Lipid Control

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #198: Heart Failure: Left Ventricular Ejection Fraction (LVEF) Assessment

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #204: Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Use of Aspirin or Another Antithrombotic

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-9-CM Codes V45.81 and V45.82

Measure #205: HIV/AIDS: Sexually Transmitted Disease Screening for Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #217: Functional Deficit: Change in Risk-Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Knee Impairments

- Updated Instructions Definition (Discharge) and Denominator Criteria (Option 1 and Option 2)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Codes G8980, G8983, G8986, G8989, G8992

Measure #218: Functional Deficit: Change in Risk-Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Hip Impairments

- Updated Instructions Definition (Discharge) and Denominator Criteria (Option 1 and Option 2)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Codes G8980, G8983, G8986, G8989, G8992

Measure #219: Functional Deficit: Change in Risk-Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Lower Leg, Foot or Ankle Impairments

- Updated Instructions Definition (Discharge) and Denominator Criteria (Option 1 and Option 2)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Codes G8980, G8983, G8986, G8989, G8992

Measure #220: Functional Deficit: Change in Risk-Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Lumbar Spine Impairments

- Updated Instructions Definition (Discharge) and Denominator Criteria (Option 1 and Option 2)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Codes G8980, G8983, G8986, G8989, G8992

Measure #221: Functional Deficit: Change in Risk-Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Shoulder Impairments

- Updated Instructions Definition (Discharge) and Denominator Criteria (Option 1 and Option 2)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Codes G8980, G8983, G8986, G8989, G8992

Measure #222: Functional Deficit: Change in Risk-Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Elbow, Wrist or Hand Impairments

- Updated Instructions Definition (Discharge) and Denominator Criteria (Option 1 and Option 2)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Codes G8980, G8983, G8986, G8989, G8992

Measure #223: Functional Deficit: Change in Risk-Adjusted Functional Status for Patients with Neck, Cranium, Mandible, Thoracic Spine, Ribs, or Other General Orthopedic Impairments

- Updated Instructions Definition (Discharge) and Denominator Criteria (Option 1 and Option 2)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Codes G8980, G8983, G8986, G8989, G8992

Measure #224: Melanoma: Overutilization of Imaging Studies in Melanoma

- Updated Description, Instructions, Denominator Statement (Reporting Criteria 1), Numerator Option Description (Reporting Criteria 1 and 2), and Rationale
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #225: Radiology: Reminder System for Screening Mammograms

- Updated Title and Rationale
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #226: Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention

- Updated Numerator Option Heading
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Code 90839

Measure #228: Heart Failure (HF): Left Ventricular Function (LVF) Testing

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #231: Asthma: Tobacco Use: Screening - Ambulatory Care Setting

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #232: Asthma: Tobacco Use: Intervention - Ambulatory Care Setting

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #233: Thoracic Surgery: Recording of Performance Status Prior to Lung or Esophageal Cancer Resection

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #234: Thoracic Surgery: Pulmonary Function Tests Before Major Anatomic Lung Resection (Pneumonectomy, Lobectomy, or Formal Segmentectomy)

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #236: Controlling High Blood Pressure

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #238: Use of High-Risk Medications in the Elderly

- Added to Registry Reporting

Measure #241: Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Complete Lipid Profile and (LDL-C) Control (<100 mg/dL)

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #242: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Symptom Management

- Added Multiple Performance Rates
- Updated Description, Instructions, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #243: Cardiac Rehabilitation Patient Referral from an Outpatient Setting

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #245: Chronic Wound Care: Use of Wound Surface Culture Technique in Patients with Chronic Skin Ulcers (Overuse Measure)

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #246: Chronic Wound Care: Use of Wet to Dry Dressings in Patients with Chronic Skin Ulcers (Overuse Measure)

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #247: Substance Use Disorders: Counseling Regarding Psychosocial and Pharmacologic Treatment Options for Alcohol Dependence

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #248: Substance Use Disorders: Screening for Depression Among Patients with Substance Abuse or Dependence

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #249: Barrett's Esophagus

- Updated Numerator Option Heading and Numerator Option Descriptions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, CPT II Code 3125F
- Added to Numerator Coding, CPT II Code 3126F

Measure #250: Radical Prostatectomy Pathology Reporting

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #251: Quantitative Immunohistochemical (IHC) Evaluation of Human Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor 2 Testing (HER2) for Breast Cancer Patients

- Updated Title, Description, Numerator Option Descriptions, and Rationale
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #254: Ultrasound Determination of Pregnancy Location for Pregnant Patients with Abdominal Pain

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #255: Rh Immunoglobulin (Rhogam) for Rh-Negative Pregnant Women at Risk of Fetal Blood Exposure

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #257: Statin Therapy at Discharge after Lower Extremity Bypass (LEB)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #258: Rate of Open Repair of Small or Moderate Non-Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms (AAA) without Major Complications (Discharged to Home by Post-Operative Day #7)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #259: Rate of Endovascular Aneurysm Repair (EVAR) of Small or Moderate Non-Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms (AAA) without Major Complications (Discharged to Home by Post Operative Day #2)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #260: Rate of Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA) for Asymptomatic Patients, without Major Complications (Discharged to Home by Post-Operative Day #2)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #261: Referral for Otologic Evaluation for Patients with Acute or Chronic Dizziness

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #262: Image Confirmation of Successful Excision of Image-Localized Breast Lesion

- Updated Numerator Quality Data Coding Options for Reporting Satisfactorily
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #263: Preoperative Diagnosis of Breast Cancer

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #264: Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy for Invasive Breast Cancer

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #265: Biopsy Follow-Up

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #266: Epilepsy: Seizure Type(s) and Current Seizure Frequency(ies)

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #267: Epilepsy: Documentation of Etiology of Epilepsy or Epilepsy Syndrome

- Removed from PQRS

Measure #268: Epilepsy: Counseling for Women of Childbearing Potential with Epilepsy

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #270: Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD): Preventive Care: Corticosteroid Sparing Therapy

- Added to Registry Reporting

Measure #271: Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD): Preventive Care: Corticosteroid Related Iatrogenic Injury

– Bone Loss Assessment

- Added to Registry Reporting

Measure #274: Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD): Testing for Latent Tuberculosis (TB) Before Initiating Anti-TNF (Tumor Necrosis Factor) Therapy

- Added to Registry Reporting

Measure #275: Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD): Assessment of Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) Status Before Initiating Anti-TNF (Tumor Necrosis Factor) Therapy

- Added to Registry Reporting

Measure #303: Cataracts: Improvement in Patient's Visual Function within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery

- Added NQF Number (1536)

Measure #304: Cataracts: Patient Satisfaction within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #317: Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented

- Updated Denominator Statement, Denominator Criteria, Numerator Note, Numerator Definitions (Blood Pressure (BP) Classification, Recommended BP Follow-Up, Recommended Lifestyle Modifications, Second Hypertensive BP Reading Interventions), and Recommended Blood Pressure Follow-Up Table
- Added Numerator Definition (Recommended Blood Pressure Follow-up Interventions)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 98940, 98941, 98942

Measure #320: Appropriate Follow-Up Interval for Normal Colonoscopy in Average Risk Patients

- Updated Title and Rationale
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #322: Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Preoperative Evaluation in Low Risk Surgery Patients

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #323: Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Routine Testing After Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #324: Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Testing in Asymptomatic, Low-Risk Patients

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #325: Adult Major Depressive Disorder (MDD): Coordination of Care of Patients with Specific Comorbid Conditions

- Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #326: Atrial Fibrillation and Atrial Flutter: Chronic Anticoagulation Therapy

- Updated Numerator Option Description, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPTCodes 99281, 99282, 99283, 99284, 99285

Measure #327: Pediatric Kidney Disease: Adequacy of Volume Management

- Reporting Mechanism changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions and Denominator Criteria
- Deleted Numerator Note
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Code G8956
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, G-Codes G8956 and G8957

Measure #328: Pediatric Kidney Disease: ESRD Patients Receiving Dialysis: Hemoglobin Level < 10g/dL

- Reporting Mechanism changed to Registry Only
- Updated Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #329: Adult Kidney Disease: Catheter Use at Initiation of Hemodialysis

- Updated Numerator Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #330: Adult Kidney Disease: Catheter Use for Greater Than or Equal to 90 Days

- Updated Numerator Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #331: Adult Sinusitis: Antibiotic Prescribed for Acute Sinusitis (Appropriate Use)

- Updated Numerator Instructions
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #332: Adult Sinusitis: Appropriate Choice of Antibiotic: Amoxicillin Prescribed for Patients with Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (Appropriate Use)

- Updated Title and Denominator Definition (Acute Bacterial Rhinosinusitis (ABRS))
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, G-Code G9364

Measure #333: Adult Sinusitis: Computerized Tomography (CT) for Acute Sinusitis (Overuse)

- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #334: Adult Sinusitis: More than One Computerized Tomography (CT) Scan Within 90 Days for Chronic Sinusitis (Overuse)

- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #335: Maternity Care: Elective Delivery or Early Induction Without Medical Indication at ≥ 37 and < 39 Weeks

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #336: Maternity Care: Post-Partum Follow-Up and Care Coordination

- Updated Instructions
- Added to Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 59400 and 59410

Measure #337: Tuberculosis Prevention for Psoriasis, Psoriatic Arthritis and Rheumatoid Arthritis Patients on a Biological Immune Response Modifier

- Updated Title, Denominator Statement and Denominator Criteria
- Moved Numerator Definition (Biologic Immune Response Modifier) to Denominator
- Added Denominator Note
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #338: HIV Viral Load Suppression

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #339: Prescription of HIV Antiretroviral Therapy

- Deleted from Claims/Registry Individual Measure Reporting

Measure #342: Pain Brought Under Control Within 48 Hours

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #343: Screening Colonoscopy Adenoma Detection Rate

- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statement
- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Code 45383
- Added to Numerator Coding, CPT II Codes 3775F and 3776F
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, G-Codes G9252 and G9253

Measure #344: Rate of Carotid Artery Stenting (CAS) for Asymptomatic Patients, Without Major Complications (Discharged to Home by Post-Operative Day #2)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #345: Rate of Postoperative Stroke or Death in Asymptomatic Patients Undergoing Carotid Artery Stenting (CAS)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #346: Rate of Postoperative Stroke or Death in Asymptomatic Patients Undergoing Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA)

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #347: Rate of Endovascular Aneurysm Repair (EVAR) of Small or Moderate Non-Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms (AAA) Who Die While in Hospital

- *NO CHANGES*

Measure #348: HRS-3 Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator (ICD) Complications Rate

- Updated Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)

Measure #349: Optimal Vascular Care Composite

- Updated Description, Instructions, Numerator Statement, Numerator Aspirin Component, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements
- Deleted Numerator LDL Component
- Updated Appropriate Reporting Timeframes for Denominator Coding (ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM)
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-9-CM Code 440.0
- Added to Denominator Coding, ICD-10-CM Codes , I63.20, I63.211, I63.212, I63.219, I63.22, I63.231, I63.232, I63.239, I63.29
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, ICD-10-CM Code I73.9
- Deleted from Numerator Coding, G-Codes G9271, G9272

Measure #358: Patient-centered Surgical Risk Assessment and Communication

- Updated Numerator Instructions
- Deleted from Denominator Coding, CPT Codes 21810, 22520, 22521, 22523, 22524, 43350, 61490, 61875, 64752

Measure #383: Adherence to Antipsychotic Medications For Individuals with Schizophrenia

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #384: Adult Primary Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment Repair Success Rate

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #385: Adult Primary Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment Surgery Success Rate

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #386: Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Patient Care Preferences

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #387: Annual Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) Screening for Patients who are Active Injection Drug Users

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #388: Cataract Surgery with Intra-Operative Complications (Unplanned Rupture of Posterior Capsule Requiring Unplanned Virectomy)

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #389: Cataract Surgery: Difference Between Planned and Final Refraction

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #390: Discussion and Shared Decision Making Surrounding Treatment Options

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #391: Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH)

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #392: HRS-12: Cardiac Tamponade and/or Pericardiocentesis Following Atrial Fibrillation Ablation

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #393: HRS-9: Infection within 180 Days of Cardiac Implantable Electronic Device (CIED) Implantation, Replacement, or Revision

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #394: Immunizations for Adolescents

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #395: Lung Cancer Reporting (Biopsy/Cytology Specimens)

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #396: Lung Cancer Reporting (Resection Specimens)

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #397: Melanoma Reporting

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #398: Optimal Asthma Control

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #399: Post-Procedural Optimal Medical Therapy Composite (Percutaneous Coronary Intervention)

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #400: Hepatitis C: One-Time Screening for Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) for Patients at Risk

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #401: Screening for Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC) in Patients with Hepatitis C Cirrhosis

- *NEW MEASURE*

Measure #402: Tobacco Use and Help with Quitting Among Adolescents

- *NEW MEASURE*