

CBE ID

0312

Title

Back Pain: Repeat Imaging Studies

Project

Musculoskeletal Endorsement Maintenance

Endorsement Status

Endorsement Removed

Is Under Review

No

Previous Endorsement Cycle

Spring 2014

Removal Date

Wed, 04/02/2014 - 20:00

Initial Endorsement

Wed, 11/14/2007 - 19:00

Steward

National Committee for Quality Assurance

1.0 New or Maintenance

Maintenance

1.1 Measure Structure

Single Measure

1.3 Electronic Clinical Quality Measure (eCQM)

No

1.6 Measure Description

Percentage of patients at least 18 years of age and younger than 80 with a back pain episode of 28 days or more who received inappropriate repeat imaging studies in the absence of red flags or progressive symptoms (overuse measure, lower performance is better).

1.7 Measure Type

Process

1.8 Level of Analysis

Clinician: Group/Practice, Clinician: Individual

1.9 Care Setting

Outpatient Services

1.14 Numerator

The number of patients with inappropriate imaging studies (as defined in 2a1.3.)

1.15 Denominator

Patients at least 18 years of age and younger than 80 with more than one imaging study and patients with only one imaging study and no documentation in medical record of physician asking about prior imaging.

1.20 Types of Data Sources

Claims Data, Paper Patient Medical Records

6.1.2 Current or Planned Use(s)

Payment Program, Public Reporting, Quality Improvement (Internal to the specific organization)

6.1.3 Current Use(s)

Payment Program, Public Reporting, Quality Improvement (Internal to the specific organization)

Exclusions

Exclude patients from the denominator with evidence or notation of red flags or worsening/progressive signs in their medical record in the seven-day (one week) period preceding the second imaging study.

Planned Use

Payment Program, Public Reporting, Quality Improvement (Internal to the specific organization)

Risk Adjustment

No risk adjustment or risk stratification

Steward Organization

National Committee for Quality Assurance

Steward POC email

measureendorsement@ncqa.org