

**CBE ID**

0329

**Title**

Risk-Adjusted 30-Day All-Cause Readmission Rate

**Project**

Readmissions Endorsement Maintenance

**Endorsement Status**

Endorsement Removed

**Is Under Review**

No

**Previous Endorsement Cycle**

Full Year 2012

**Removal Date**

Tue, 03/13/2012 - 20:00

**Initial Endorsement**

Wed, 05/14/2008 - 20:00

**Steward**

United Health Group

**1.0 New or Maintenance**

Maintenance

**1.1 Measure Structure**

Single Measure

**1.3 Electronic Clinical Quality Measure (eCQM)**

No

**1.6 Measure Description**

The existing NQF-endorsed measure provides a means for determining the risk-adjusted readmission rate for a selected adult target population and can be applied for any desired timeframe. Readmission rate is defined as the percentage of acute inpatient discharges during the measurement period followed by an acute inpatient admission for any diagnosis to any hospital within 30 days

We are proposing to change the measure and offer a risk factor approach. This method allows for calculation of a risk-adjusted readmission rate for use in two different ways: 1) retrospective analysis of hospital (or other study population) performance determination and 2) in a real-time

Electronic Health Record (EHR) environment, analysis to determine the readmission risk factor for each inpatient admission.

## **1.7 Measure Type**

Outcome

## **1.8 Level of Analysis**

Facility, Health Plan, Other, Population: Community, County or City, Population: Regional and State

## **1.9 Care Setting**

Inpatient/Hospital

## **1.14 Numerator**

Non-behavioral health acute inpatient admissions for patients who were readmitted following a discharge from a non-behavioral health acute inpatient admission (index admission).

## **1.15 Denominator**

The denominator contains all eligible non-behavioral acute care inpatient discharges for the target population being measured for the desired measurement period. A patient can have multiple eligible discharges during the measurement period.

## **1.20 Types of Data Sources**

Claims Data

## **6.1.2 Current or Planned Use(s)**

Payment Program, Public Reporting, Quality Improvement (Internal to the specific organization), Quality Improvement with Benchmarking (external benchmarking to multiple organizations)

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## **Exclusions**

The cases to be excluded from the denominator are those for patients who died during the hospital stay or were hospitalized for mental health disorders or substance abuse treatment.

## **Risk Adjustment**

Stratification by risk category/subgroup

## **Target Population**

Women

## **Steward Organization**

United Health Group

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