

CBE ID

0393

Title

Hepatitis C: Confirmation of Hepatitis C Viremia

Project

Infectious Disease

Endorsement Status

Endorsement Removed

Is Under Review

No

Previous Endorsement Cycle

Full Year 2016

Removal Date

Tue, 11/08/2016 - 19:00

Initial Endorsement

Wed, 07/30/2008 - 20:00

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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 aged 18 years and older who are hepatitis C antibody positive seen for an initial evaluation for whom hepatitis C virus (HCV) RNA testing was ordered or previously performed

1.7 Measure Type

Process

1.8 Level of Analysis

Clinician: Group/Practice, Clinician: Individual

1.9 Care Setting

Other, Outpatient Services

1.14 Numerator

Patients for whom HCV RNA testing was ordered or previously performed

1.15 Denominator

Patients aged = 18 years on date of encounter

1.20 Types of Data Sources

Electronic Health Data, Electronic Health Records: Electronic Health Records, Other, Registry data

6.1.2 Current or Planned Use(s)

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

Exclusions

Medical Performance Exclusion: Documentation of medical reason(s) for not ordering or performing RNA testing for HCV (eg, limited life expectancy, patient not a candidate for therapy, other medical reasons) (3265F with 1P)

Patient Performance Exclusion: Documentation of patient reason(s) for not ordering or performing RNA testing for HCV (eg, patient declined, other patient reasons) (3265F with 2P)

Measure Disclaimer

In an integrated or non-integrated system, physicians should get "credit" if someone orders this test, regardless of who (or when in the case of say vaccination where the hepatologists may not stock vaccines but the primary care docs do). The specifications for this measure agree that a physician would get "credit" for ordering the test, because the specifications require that either the test is ordered or the results documented. So long as the primary care physician orders the test, the PCP would get credit for the measure. And alternatively, a PCP would not meet the measure if a HCV positive patient was referred to a specialist without at least ordering the viral load test - since that is the intent of the measure. The physician's order would be entered in an EHR and if test results were available they would also be entered in the EHR most likely under a "tests" section.

Planned Use

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

Risk Adjustment

No risk adjustment or risk stratification

Target Population

Elderly

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