
CBE ID

0503

Title

Anticoagulation for acute pulmonary embolus patients

Project

Patient Safety Measures: Complications Endorsement Maintenance

Endorsement Status

Endorsement Removed

Is Under Review

No

Previous Endorsement Cycle

Fall 2012

Removal Date

Thu, 01/10/2013 - 19:00

Initial Endorsement

Thu, 10/23/2008 - 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

Number of acute embolus patients who have orders for anticoagulation (heparin or low-molecular weight heparin) for pulmonary embolus while in the ED.

1.7 Measure Type

Process

1.8 Level of Analysis

Clinician: Group/Practice, Clinician: Individual, Facility

1.9 Care Setting

Inpatient/Hospital

1.14 Numerator

Patients who had orders for anticoagulation.

1.15 Denominator

All patients presenting to the emergency department (ED) with a diagnosis of pulmonary embolus.

1.20 Types of Data Sources

Claims Data, Electronic Health Data, Other, Paper Records

6.1.2 Current or Planned Use(s)

Not in use, Public Reporting, Quality Improvement (Internal to the specific organization)

6.1.3 Current Use(s)

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Exclusions

- i. Patients already adequately anticoagulated (orally or parenterally).
- ii. Patients with contraindication to anticoagulation
- iii. Patients deemed inappropriate anticoagulation candidates (e.g. hospice patients, cardiac arrest)
- iv. Patients for whom further consultation is necessary prior to the possible initiation of anticoagulation.
- v. Patients who are admitted from the ED with ED LOS less than 30 minutes from time of confirmed diagnosis.
- vi. Patient refusal.
- vii. Patients who do not complete their ED evaluation (Left before completion, Left AMA, etc.

Risk Adjustment

No risk adjustment or risk stratification

Target Population

Elderly

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