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**CBE ID**

0506

**Title**

Hospital 30-day, All-Cause, Risk-Standardized Readmission Rate (RSRR) Following Pneumonia Hospitalization

**Endorsement Status**

Endorsed by Extension

**Is Under Review**

No

**Next Maintenance Cycle**

Spring 2027

**Previous Endorsement Cycle**

Fall 2020

**Initial Endorsement**

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**Steward**

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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**

The measure estimates a hospital-level 30-day, all-cause, risk-standardized readmission rate (RSRR) for patients age 65 and older discharged from the hospital with either a principal discharge diagnosis of pneumonia (including aspiration pneumonia) or a principal discharge diagnosis of sepsis (not severe sepsis) with a secondary diagnosis of pneumonia (including aspiration pneumonia) coded as present on admission (POA). Readmission is defined as an unplanned readmission for any cause within 30 days of the discharge date for the index admission. Readmissions are classified as planned and unplanned by applying the planned readmission algorithm. CMS annually reports the measure for patients who are 65 years or older and enrolled in fee-for-service (FFS) Medicare and hospitalized in non-federal hospitals or are patients hospitalized in Veterans Health Administration (VA) facilities.

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## 1.7 Measure Type

Outcome

## 1.8 Level of Analysis

Facility

### 1.13 Data Dictionary

Not attached. I attest that all information will be provided where codes and/or value sets are needed (1.14a - 1.15c).

### 1.14 Numerator

The outcome for this measure is 30-day readmissions. We define readmission as an inpatient acute care admission for any cause, with the exception of certain planned readmissions, within 30 days from the date of discharge from the index admission for patients 65 and older discharged from the hospital with a principal diagnosis of pneumonia, including aspiration pneumonia or a principal diagnosis of sepsis (not severe sepsis) with a secondary diagnosis of pneumonia (including aspiration pneumonia) coded as POA and no secondary diagnosis of severe sepsis. If a patient has more than one unplanned admission (for any reason) within 30 days after discharge from the index admission, only the first one is counted as a readmission. The measure looks for a dichotomous yes or no outcome of whether each admitted patient has an unplanned readmission within 30 days. However, if the first readmission after discharge is considered planned, any subsequent unplanned readmission is not counted as an outcome for that index admission because the unplanned readmission could be related to care provided during the intervening planned readmission rather than during the index admission.

### 1.15 Denominator

The cohort includes admissions for patients aged 65 years and older discharged from the hospital with a principal discharge diagnosis of pneumonia, including aspiration pneumonia or a principal discharge diagnosis of sepsis (not severe sepsis) with a secondary discharge diagnosis of pneumonia (including aspiration pneumonia) coded as POA and no secondary discharge diagnosis of severe sepsis; and with a complete claims history for the 12 months prior to admission. The measure is publicly reported by CMS for those patients 65 years and older who are Medicare FFS or VA beneficiaries admitted to non-federal or VA hospitals, respectively. Additional details are provided in S.7 Denominator Details.

### 1.20 Types of Data Sources

Claims Data, Other

### 6.1.2 Current or Planned Use(s)

Public Reporting, Payment Program

### 6.1.3 Current Use(s)

Public Reporting, Payment Program

### Exclusions

The 30-day pneumonia (PN) readmission measure excludes index admissions for patients:

1. Discharged against medical advice (AMA);
2. Without at least 30 days post-discharge enrollment in FFS Medicare (in the case of patients who are not VA beneficiaries);
3. Admitted within 30 days of a prior index admission for pneumonia.

### **Measure Disclaimer**

N/A

### **Risk Adjustment**

Statistical risk model

### **Target Population**

Elderly, Populations at Risk

### **Use In Federal Program**

Hospital Compare, Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting Program, Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program

### **The measure developer is different from the measure steward**

No

### **Steward Organization**

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