

CBE ID

0520

Title

Drug Education on All Medications Provided to Patient/Caregiver During Short Term Episodes of Care

Project

Care Coordination

Endorsement Status

Endorsement Removed

Is Under Review

No

Previous Endorsement Cycle

Full Year 2011

Removal Date

Tue, 10/16/2012 - 20:00

Initial Endorsement

Mon, 03/30/2009 - 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 short term home health episodes of care during which patient/caregiver was instructed on how to monitor the effectiveness of drug therapy, how to recognize potential adverse effects, and how and when to report problems.

1.7 Measure Type

Process

1.8 Level of Analysis

Facility

1.9 Care Setting

Home Care

1.14 Numerator

Number of home health episodes of care during which patient/caregiver was instructed on how to monitor the effectiveness of drug therapy, how to recognize potential adverse effects, and how and when to report problems.

1.15 Denominator

Number of home health episodes of care ending during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.

1.20 Types of Data Sources

Electronic Health Records: Electronic Health Records

6.1.2 Current or Planned Use(s)

Public Reporting, Quality Improvement with Benchmarking (external benchmarking to multiple organizations)

6.1.3 Current Use(s)

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Exclusions

- Episodes in which the patient was not on any medications since the last OASIS assessment.
- Episodes ending in patient death. Note: The information needed to calculate this measure is not collected if the home health episode ends in death. The measure cannot be calculated in excluded cases due to data limitations.
- Long-term episodes (as indicated by the presence of a follow-up assessment between admission and transfer or discharge). Note: This exclusion was added at the request of NQF reviewers during initial consideration of the measure in 2008. To avoid excessive burden to agencies related to reviewing records longer than 60 days, this implementation measure reports on care provided since the last OASIS assessment. However, restricting the measure to care since the most recent OASIS assessment raised concerns among NQF Steering Committee members that measures might not accurately reflect care for longer-stay patients, as some interventions may have been implemented prior to the most recent OASIS assessment. In response, measure specifications were changed so that home care episodes that require a recertification are not included in publicly-reported measures on implementation of evidence-based practices. The reports that CMS provides for agency use in quality improvement activities include separate break-outs for short-term episodes and long-term episodes, as well as a combined "all episodes" measure.

Risk Adjustment

No risk adjustment or risk stratification

Target Population

Elderly

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