

FACT SHEET

Summary of Emergency Department (ED) Measure Changes for 1/1/2012+ Discharges

ED Measures are required effective 1/1/2012.

Extensive changes were made to the ED-1 and ED-2 Measures Information Forms and algorithms to provide stratification-see documents for all changes.

ED-1-Median Time from ED Arrival to ED Departure for Admitted ED Patients:

Add stratified measures including overall rate, reporting rate, observation rate, mental health/psychiatric rate.

ED-2 Admit Decision Time to ED Departure Time for Admitted Patients:

Add stratified measures including overall rate, reporting rate, mental health/psychiatric rate.

The information below consists of clarifications and changes in abstraction instructions.

Data Element or Table: *Decision to Admit Date*

Type of Change: **New**

Inclusion Guidelines for Abstraction:

Add

Admit Order Date

Disposition Order Date

Exclusion Guidelines for Abstraction:

Remove

Admit Orders Date

Admit to Observation Date

Data Element or Table: *Decision to Admit Time*

Type of Change: **New**

Notes for Abstraction

Remove 9th bullet:

Do not use admit order time for the *Decision to Admit Time* unless documentation clearly indicates this is the time the provider made the decision. If the documentation does not clearly indicate this was the time of the decision, do not use and select, "UTD".

Inclusion Guidelines for Abstraction:

Add

Admit Order Time

Disposition Time

Exclusion Guidelines for Abstraction:

Remove

Admit Orders Time

Admit to Observation Time

Data Element or Table: *ED Departure Date*

Type of Change: **New**

Exclusion Guidelines for Abstraction:
Add
Disposition Date

Data Element or Table: *ED Departure Time*

Type of Change: **New**

Exclusion Guidelines for Abstraction:
Add
Disposition Time

Data Element or Table: *ED Patient*

Type of Change: **New**

Add heading and bullets

ED:

- If a patient is transferred in from any emergency department (ED) or observation unit OUTSIDE of your hospital, select “No”. This applies even if the emergency department or observation unit is part of your hospital’s system (e.g., your hospital’s free-standing or satellite emergency department), has a shared medical record or provider number, or is in close proximity. Select “No”, even if the transferred patient is seen in this facility’s ED.
- If the patient is transferred to your hospital from an outside hospital where he was an inpatient or outpatient, select “No”. This applies even if the two hospitals are close in proximity, part of the same hospital system, have the same provider number, and/or there is one medical record. Select “No”, even if the transferred patient is seen in this facility’s ED.

Data Element or Table: **Table 7.01 Mental Disorder**

Type of Change: **Clarification**

Descriptions for several codes were modified.

For a complete list of changes, please see the “Release Notes” located in the *Specifications Manual for Hospital Inpatient Department Quality Measures* for encounters 1/1/2012. The manual can be found at:

<http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?c=Page&pagename=QnetPublic%2FPage%2FQnetTier2&cid=1141662756099>

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