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Colonoscopy Interval for Patients with a History of Adenomatous Polyps Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Quality Reporting

ASC-10 Endoscopy/Polyp Surveillance: Colonoscopy interval for Patients with a History of Adenomatous Polyps— Avoidance of Inappropriate Use

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older receiving a surveillance colonoscopy, with a history of prior colonic polyp(s) in previous colonoscopy findings, who had a follow-up interval of 3 or more years since their last colonoscopy.

Numerator Statement: Patients who had an interval of 3 or more years since their last colonoscopy.

Denominator Statement: All patients aged 18 years and older receiving a surveillance colonoscopy with a history of a prior colonic polyp(s) in previous colonoscopy findings.

Denominator Criteria (Eligible Cases):

- Patients ages ≥ 18 on date of encounter; **and**
- Diagnosis for history of colonic polyp(s) ICD-10-CM: Z86.010 **and**
- CPT or HCPCS: 44388, 44389, 44392, 44394, 45378, 45380, 45381, 45384, 45385, G0105; **without**
- CPT Category 1 Modifiers: 52, 53, 73, or 74



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Denominator Exclusions

Documentation of medical reason(s) for an interval of less than 3 years since the last colonoscopy (e.g., patients with high risk for colon cancer, last colonoscopy incomplete, inadequate prep, piecemeal removal of adenomas/polyps, or last colonoscopy found greater than 10 adenomas/polyps). Medical reason(s) are at the discretion of the physician. "History of colonic polyps" is not an acceptable reason to exclude cases from the denominator. A patient must have a history of colonic polyps to be eligible for the measure. Documentation of a medical condition or finding can be used as a medical reason(s) for denominator exclusion purposes only if the previous colonoscopy was less than 3 years prior.

Documentation of a system reason(s) clearly documented in the current medical record for an interval of less than 3 years since the last colonoscopy (e.g., unable to locate previous colonoscopy report). For a system reason **all of the following** must be present in the medical record:

- The interval since the last colonoscopy is less than 3 years; **and**
- A medical reason for an interval of less than 3 years is not documented; **and**
- A "system reason" is documented (e.g., previous colonoscopy report not available).

Additional Instructions: For the purpose of this measure, a surveillance colonoscopy is defined as the colonoscopy performed after a colonic polyp(s) has been detected and removed. The denominator of this measure is the total number of patients ≥ 18 years of age receiving a surveillance colonoscopy. The numerator is the number of patients receiving a surveillance colonoscopy 3 years or greater after the colonoscopy showing the colonic polyp. Information regarding the performance interval can be obtained from medical record documentation.

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