

Falls: Screening for Future Fall Risk

NQF Endorsement Status	Not Endorsed
NQF ID	9999
Measure Type	Process
Measure Content Last Updated	2021-06-30
Info As Of	Not Available

Properties

Description	Percentage of patients 65 years of age and older who were screened for future fall risk during the measurement period.
Numerator	Patients who were screened for future fall risk at least once within the measurement period
Denominator	Patients aged 65 years and older with a visit during the measurement period
Denominator Exclusions	Denominator Exclusion(s): Exclude patients whose hospice care overlaps the measurement period.
Rationale	As the leading cause of both fatal and nonfatal injuries for older adults, falls are one of the most common and significant health issues facing people aged 65 years or older (Schneider, Shubert and Harmon, 2010). Moreover, the rate of falls increases with age (Dykes et al., 2010). Older adults are five times more likely to be hospitalized for fall-related injuries than any other cause-related injury. It is estimated that one in every three adults over 65 will fall each year (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 2015). In those over age 80, the rate of falls increases to fifty percent (Doherty et al., 2009). Falls are also associated with substantial cost and resource use, approaching \$30,000 per fall hospitalization Woolcott et al., 2011). Identifying at-risk patients is the most important part of management, as applying preventive measures in this vulnerable population can have a profound effect on public health (al-Aama, 2011). Family physicians have a pivotal role in screening older patients for risk of falls, and applying preventive strategies for patients at risk (al-Aama, 2011).
Evidence	Not Available

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Developer/Steward

Steward	National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA)
Contact	Not Available
Measure Developer	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
Development Stage	Fully Developed

Characteristics

Measure Type	Process
Meaningful Measure Area	Preventable Healthcare Harm
Healthcare Priority	Make Care Safer by Reducing Harm Caused in the Delivery of Care
eCQM Spec Available	No
NQF Endorsement Status	Not Endorsed
NQF ID	9999
Last NQF Update	Not Available
Target Population Age	65+
Target Population Age (High)	Not Available
Target Population Age (Low)	65
Reporting Level	Clinician/Group
Conditions	Unintentional Injury
Subconditions	Falls
Care Settings	Ambulatory Care- Clinician Office/Clinic; Home Health; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility; Nursing Home

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Groups

Core Measure Set	Not Available
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Measure Group	Group Identifier
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CARE	
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ACO	13
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CARE	2
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Measure Links

Measure Program: Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) Program

Info As Of	Not Available
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Program / Model Notes	
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Data Sources	Electronic Clinical Data (non-EHR)
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Purposes	Not Available
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Quality Domain	Patient Safety
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Reporting Frequency	Not Available
Impacts Payment	Not Available
Reporting Status	Active
Data Reporting Begin Date	2018-01-01
Data Reporting End Date	Not Available

Measure Program Links

<https://qpp.cms.gov/mips/overview>

Milestones

Milestone: Implemented

Effective Date	2018-10-01
Comments	Not Available

Milestone: Finalized

Effective Date	2016-11-04
Comments	Not Available

Milestone: Proposed

Effective Date	2016-05-09
Comments	Not Available

Milestone Links <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2016/05/09/2016-10032/medicare-program-merit-based-incentive-payment-system-mips-and-alternative-payment-model-apm#p-2773>

Milestone: Reference

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Effective Date	1900-01-01
Comments	Not Available
Milestone Links	https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/11/04/2016-25240/medicare-program-merit-based-incentive-payment-system-mips-and-alternative-payment-model-apm

Measure Program: Medicare and Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program for Eligible Professionals

Info As Of	Not Available
Program / Model Notes	
Data Sources	Not Specified
Purposes	Not Available
Quality Domain	Patient Safety
Reporting Frequency	Not Available
Impacts Payment	Not Available
Reporting Status	Inactive
Data Reporting Begin Date	Not Available
Data Reporting End Date	2018-10-01

Measure Program Links

Milestones

Milestone: Removed

Effective Date	2018-10-01
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Comments Not Available

Measure Program: Physician Compare

Info As Of Not Available

Program / Model Notes

Data Sources Electronic Clinical Data (non-EHR)

Purposes Not Available

Quality Domain Not Available

Reporting Frequency Not Available

Impacts Payment Not Available

Reporting Status Active

Data Reporting Begin Date 2018-01-01

Data Reporting End Date Not Available

Measure Program Links

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/Compare-DAC>

Measure Program: Medicare Shared Savings Program

Info As Of Not Available

Program / Model Notes

Data Sources Not Specified

Purposes Not Available

Quality Domain Care Coordination/Patient Safety

Reporting Frequency Not Available

Impacts Payment Not Available

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Reporting Status	Active
Data Reporting Begin Date	2012-01-01
Data Reporting End Date	Not Available

Measure Program Links

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/sharedsavingsprogram/about>

Milestones

Milestone: Implemented

Effective Date	2012-01-01
Comments	Not Available

Milestone: Finalized

Effective Date	2011-11-02
Comments	Not Available

Milestone: Reference

Effective Date	1900-01-01
Comments	Not Available
