

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION

Hospital Performance Evaluation Guide: Inpatient Hospital Quality Measures (Corrected Notice)

The Maryland Health Care Commission will add inpatient quality measures to the Hospital Performance Evaluation Guide, including the expansion of three existing quality measures and the addition of eight new measures. The measures will be phased in during 2009-2010 as follows:

- **SCIP-Inf-1-3 Will be Expanded to Include All Surgical Strata: Hip, Knee, Colon, CABG, Other Cardiac, Hysterectomy, and Vascular Surgery**

SCIP-Inf-1	Prophylatic Antibiotic Received within One Hour Prior to Surgical Incision
SCIP-Inf-2	Prophylatic Antibiotic Selection for Surgical Patients
SCIP-Inf-3	Prophylatic Antibiotics Discontinued within 24 Hours After Surgery
	End Time

Although most hospitals collect data for SCIP-Inf-1-3 across all surgical strata, the Commission currently requires data collection for only three strata (i.e., hip, knee, and colon surgeries). For discharges effective January 1, 2009, the Commission will require the collection of SCIP-Inf-1-3 for all surgical strata, including hip, knee, colon, CABG, other cardiac, hysterectomy, and vascular surgery. The Commission will publicly report data for SCIP-Inf-1-3 for all surgical strata in the Hospital Guide effective July 1, 2009.

- **Add Five SCIP Measures**

SCIP-Inf-4	Cardiac Surgery Patients with Controlled 6 A.M. Postoperative Serum Glucose
SCIP-Inf-6	Surgery Patients with Appropriate Hair Removal
SCIP-CARD-2	Surgery Patients on Beta-Blocker Therapy Prior to Admission Who Received a Beta-Blocker During the Perioperative Period
SCIP-VTE-1	Surgery Patients with Recommended Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis Ordered
SCIP-VTE-2	Surgery Patients Who Received Appropriate Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis within 24 Hours Prior to Surgery to 24 Hours After Surgery

For discharges effective January 1, 2009, the Commission will require the collection of SCIP-Inf-4 and 6, SCIP-CARD-2, and SCIP-VTE-1 and 2. The Commission will publicly report data for these new SCIP measures in the Hospital Guide effective July 1, 2009.

- **Add Three Children's Asthma Care Measures**

CAC-1	Relievers for Inpatient Asthma
CAC-2	Systemic Corticosteroids for Inpatient Asthma
CAC-3	Home Management Plan of Care (HMPC) Document Given to Patient/Caregiver

For discharges effective July 1, 2009, the Commission will require the collection of CAC-1-3. The Commission will publicly report data for these new Children's Asthma Care measures in the Hospital Guide effective January 1, 2010.

Please contact Theresa Lee, Chief, Hospital Quality Initiatives, Center for Hospital Services, Maryland Health Care Commission, 4160 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21215; tlee@mhcc.state.md.us for questions regarding the inpatient quality measures outlined in this notice.

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