Measure #321 (NQF 0493): Participation by a Hospital, Physician, or Other Clinician in a Systematic Clinical Database Registry that Includes Consensus Endorsed Quality Measures

# **2013 PQRS OPTIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL MEASURES:**

CLAIMS, REGISTRY

## **DESCRIPTION:**

Participation in a systematic qualified clinical database registry involves:

- a. Physician or other clinician submits standardized data elements to registry
- b. Data elements are applicable to consensus endorsed quality measures
- c. Registry measures shall include at least two (2) representative NQF consensus endorsed measures for registry's clinical topic(s) and report on all patients eligible for the selected measures
- d. Registry provides calculated measures results, benchmarking, and quality improvement information to individual physicians and clinicians
- e. Registry must receive data from more than 5 separate practices and may not be located (warehoused) at an individual group's practice. Participation in a national or state-wide registry is encouraged for this measure
- f. Registry may provide feedback directly to the provider's local registry if one exists

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

This measure is to be reported <u>once per patient seen during the reporting period</u>, with no penalty for over reporting. There is no diagnosis associated with this measure. This measure may be reported by clinicians who are participating in a systematic clinical database registry that includes consensus endorsed quality.

#### Measure Reporting via Claims:

CPT or HCPCS codes are used to identify patients who are included in the measure's denominator. G-codes are used to report the numerator of the measure.

When reporting the measure via claims, submit the listed CPT or HCPCS codes, and the appropriate numerator G-code. There are no allowable performance exclusions for this measure. All measure-specific coding should be reported on the claim(s) representing the eligible encounter. If no G-code is reported, this will count as a performance and reporting failure.

#### Measure Reporting via Registry:

CPT or HCPCS codes are used to identify patients who are included in the measure's denominator. The numerator options as described in the quality-data codes are used to report the numerator of the measure.

The quality-data codes listed do not need to be submitted for registry-based submissions; however, these codes may be submitted for those registries that utilize claims data. There are no allowable performance exclusions for this measure.

# **DENOMINATOR:**

All patient encounters

## Denominator Criteria (Eligible Cases):

Patient encounter during the reporting period (CPT or HCPCS): 90791, 90792, 90832, 90834, 90837, 90839, 92002, 92004, 92012, 92014, 92506, 92507, 92508, 92526, 92541, 92542, 92543, 92544, 92548, 92552, 92553, 92555, 92557, 92561, 92562, 92563, 92564, 92565, 92567, 92568, 92570, 92571, 92572, 92575, 92576, 92577, 92579, 92582, 92584, 92585, 92586, 92587, 92588, 92601, 92602, 92603, 92604,

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#### NUMERATOR:

The clinician participates in a systematic qualified clinical database registry capable of the following:

- a. Physician or other clinician submits standardized data elements to registry
- b. Data elements are applicable to consensus endorsed quality measures.
- c. Registry measures shall include at least two (2) representative NQF consensus endorsed measures for registry's clinical topic(s) and report on all patients eligible for the selected measures
- d. Registry provides calculated measures results, benchmarking, and quality improvement information to individual physicians and clinicians
- e. Registry must receive data from more than 5 separate practices and may not be located (warehoused) at an individual group's practice. Participation in a national or state-wide registry is encouraged for this measure
- f. Registry may provide feedback directly to the provider's local registry if one exists

#### Definition:

**Qualified Registry** - Qualified is defined as receiving data from more than five hospitals and providing calculated measures, results, benchmarks, and quality improvement information to the participant (and to designated third parties).

#### Numerator Quality-Data Coding Options for Reporting Satisfactorily:

Clinician Reported Patient Data to Qualified Database Registry

G8954: Complete and appropriate patient data were reported to a qualified clinical database registry

## **RATIONALE:**

Clinical database registries have been used in diverse settings to understand clinical practices, provide peer benchmarking and for quality improvement and improved treatment strategies (Adams et al., 2005; Bilimoria et al., 2008; Bufalino et al., 2011). Such registries can provide real-time and historical data (Herbert et al., 2004). These diverse databases can be triangulated with other data sources to link clinical practice data with long-term outcomes (Dokholyan et al., 2009). Statistical power and clinical relevancy of registries require that robust and diverse data are available (Fonarow, 2009). Numerous programs exist which serve as a benchmarking, quality of care/improvement, and in some cases outcomes data.

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