

AAO23: Allergic Rhinitis: Intranasal Corticosteroids or Oral Antihistamines

High Priority: No

Percentage of patients with allergic rhinitis who are offered intranasal corticosteroids (INS) or non-sedating oral antihistamines.

Denominator:

Patients age 2 years and older with a diagnosis of allergic rhinitis.

Denominator Exclusions:

None

Denominator Exceptions:

Patients with an allergy to oral antihistamines or intranasal corticosteroids.

Patients with prostate cancer or benign prostatic hypertrophy as these patients may be intolerant of medications.

Patients with a history of epistaxis due to intranasal steroids use.

Patient refusal.

Numerator:

Patients who are taking intranasal steroids (INS) or non-sedating oral antihistamines. A prescription for or medication reconciliation of over the counter medications can be used to identify patients taking medications.

Measure Classifications:

Measure Type: Process

National Quality Strategy (NQS) domain: Effective Clinical Care

Meaningful Measure Area: Medication Management

Calculation: 1st Performance Rate Inverse Measure: No Continuous Measure: No Proportional Measure: Yes

Ratio Measure: No Risk Adjusted: No

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