

AAO 20: Otitis Media with Effusion: Hearing Testing

Percentage of patients aged 2 months through 12 years with a diagnosis of OME who received tympanostomy tube insertion who had a hearing test performed within 6 months prior to tympanostomy tube insertion

Quality Domain: Effective Clinical Care

OME is often accompanied by hearing loss which can impair early language acquisition, especially in severe cases which often necessitate tympanostomy tube insertion. Therefore, it is imperative that any patient for whom tympanostomy tube insertion is indicated have their hearing tested.

Denominator: All patients aged 2 months through 12 years with a diagnosis of OME w ho received tympanostomy tube insertion

Denominator Exclusions: None

Denominator Exceptions: Documentation of medical reason(s) for not performing a hearing test within 6 months prior to tympanostomy tube insertion

Documentation of patient reason(s) for not performing a hearing test within 6 months prior to tympanostomy tube insertion

Numerator: Patients who had a hearing test performed within 6 months prior to tympanostomy tube insertion

Measure Type: Process, Traditional, Proportional,

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