

## Summary of General Data Collection Changes for 10/01/09 Discharges

Section or Data Element	New or Clarification	Change
<b>Section 2 - Measurement Information</b>	New	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addition of the Stroke (STK), Venous Thromboembolism (VTE), and Emergency Department (ED) Through-put measure sets</li> </ul> <p>STK and VTE will be collected by The Joint Commission Only</p> <p>ED is for Informational purposes only</p>
<b>Section 10 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Risk-Adjusted 30-Day Mortality Measures</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renamed this section of the manual to be CMS Outcome Measures</li> <li>• Includes the Risk Standardized Mortality Measures</li> <li>• Added the Risk Standardized Readmission Measures</li> </ul>
<b>Introduction to the Data Dictionary</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Added clarification to the Data Element Name, in the data element dictionary terms, that data element names are <i>“italicized”</i>.</li> <li>• Under the Collected For, have clarified that the collected for identifies the measure(s) and whether it is collected by CMS or The Joint Commission.</li> </ul>
<b>General Abstraction Guidelines</b>	New	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All documentation in the medical record must be legible, timed, dated, and authenticated.</li> <li>• Authentication may include written signatures, initials, computer key, or other codes.</li> <li>• “Rubber” stamped physician/Advanced Practice Nurse (APN)/Physician Assistant (PA) signatures are not acceptable on any document within the medical record.</li> <li>• Handwritten, electronic signatures, or facsimiles of original written or electronic signatures are acceptable.</li> </ul>

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<b>Data Elements - "Collected For"</b>	New	Collected For will now reflect if it is collected by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Both CMS and The Joint Commission</li> <li>• The Joint Commission Only</li> <li>• CMS Only</li> <li>• Informational Only</li> </ul>
<b>Anesthesia End Time</b> <b>Anesthesia Start Time</b> <b>Antibiotic Administration Time</b> <b>Arrival Time</b> <b>Fibrinolytic Administration Time</b> <b>First PCI Time</b> <b>Initial Blood Culture Collection Time</b> <b>Surgical Incision Time</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 00:00 = midnight. If the time is documented as 00:00 11-24-20xx, review supporting documentation to determine if the date should remain 11-24-20xx or if it should be converted to 11-25-20xx.</li> </ul> <p>When converting midnight or 24:00 to 00:00 do not forget to change the date.</p>
<b>Data Elements "Notes to Programmers"</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed the "NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS" and "JOINT COMMISSION NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS" from the alphabetical data dictionary data elements</li> <li>• Added relevant notes to the Hospital Clinical Data XML File Layout</li> </ul>

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<b>Discharge Status</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed "jail or law enforcement" and "assisted living facilities that are not state-designated" and added "independent living" to Allowable Value 01.</li> <li>• Changed Allowable Value 04 to "Discharged/transferred to a facility that provides custodial or supportive care".</li> <li>• Changed the Usage Note for Allowable Value 04 to "Includes intermediate care facilities (ICFs) if specifically designated at the state level. Also used to designate patients that are discharged/transferred to a nursing facility with neither Medicare or Medicaid certification and for discharges/transfers to Assisted Living Facilities."</li> <li>• Added new Allowable Value 21 - Discharged/transferred to court/law enforcement.</li> </ul>
<b>SCIP Initial Patient Population</b>	New	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patients with an <i>ICD-9-CM Principal Procedure Code</i> as defined in Appendix A, Table 5.10 and a Length of Stay less than or equal to 120 days.</li> <li>• Initial Patient Population now includes all ages.</li> <li>• Age restriction of greater than or equal to 18 years of age has been moved to the SCIP measure algorithms, except for SCIP-Inf-10.</li> </ul>
<b>Population and Sampling</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed all references to "Effective Sample"</li> <li>• For Non-stratified measure sets, sampling must meet the requirements as outlined in each of the sampling tables</li> <li>• For Stratified measure sets, sampling must include each of the strata/sub-populations and meet the requirements as outlined in each of the sampling tables.</li> </ul>
<b>Data Transmission</b>	Clarification and New	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revisions made to the Allowable Measure Sets: HF and SCIP – Age 18 and older AMI and SCIP – Age 18 and older PN and SCIP – Age 18 and older</li> <li>• Added Allowable Measure Set Combinations, Table 2.7, to Appendix H</li> <li>• Changes made to the File Name Length.</li> <li>• The Joint Commission Transmission Identifier tables have been removed.</li> </ul>

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<b>Transmission Data Dictionary</b>	New	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deleted <i>Number of Cases with An Influenza Vaccination Shortage, Number of Cases with UTD Allowable Values, Number of Rejected Cases, Performance Measure Identifier, and Performance Measurement System Identifier</i></li> </ul>
<b>Measure Set</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changed the Length from Not Applicable (N/A) to 10</li> <li>Changed the Occurs from N/A to 1 for clinical data and 1 – 8 for population and sampling data</li> </ul>
<b>NPI</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changed the Type from Character to Numeric</li> </ul>
<b>Data Processing Flow</b>	New	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added Transmission Data Processing Flow: Population and Sampling</li> </ul>
<b>Hospital Clinical Data XML File Layout</b>	New	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Change the Table A tab to Hospital Clinical Data – Detail Elements Information</li> <li>Added the Suggested Data Collection Question</li> <li>Added columns for the Data Type, Field Size, Occurs and Programming Notes</li> </ul>
<b>Hospital Initial Patient Population XML File Layout</b>	Clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clarification added regarding the replacing or deleting of an existing file.</li> </ul>

For a complete list of changes please see the “Release Notes”, located in the Specifications Manual for National Hospital Quality Inpatient Measures, for discharges 10/01/2009. The manual can be found at <http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?cid=1221491528970&pagename=QnetPublic%2FPage%2FQnetTier3&c=Page>