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Adverse Drug Events Primary Measures
Anticoagulants, Opioids and Hypoglycemic Agents



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Terms Used in this Document

Primary Measures: These preferred measures are clinically specific and have been developed to provide relevant data to identify and assess areas for improvement.

Option 2 Measures: These measures are not as clinically specific, but are less complex to collect manually. They have been created for hospitals who are unable to collect and submit primary measure data. More information about Option 2 measures can be found on: www.wsha.org/ADE.cfm

Pseudocode: A pseudocode is an algorithm written to facilitate the report writing process and data abstraction from the electronic health record (EHR). This type of code is intended to be read by humans and not by a computer. Report writers are able to take the information provided in a pseudocode and translate it into code specific to the EHR used at their hospital.

Clinical Translation: A clinical translation column has been included to describe, in clinical terms, the goal for each section of the pseudocode.

Quality Benchmarking System (QBS): Secure, web-based application that allows hospitals to input data and then track, compare, and analyze the data for use in quality improvement. QBS is brought to you at no charge by the Washington State Hospital Association's Patient Safety Program. Hospitals have the ability to share their data with other hospitals to aid their quality improvement efforts. As improvement projects are implemented, users can focus on whether these interventions are truly making a difference. QBS helps with data display, analysis, and timely dissemination, and is a powerful tool for those who work with quality data.

Background

Adverse drug events (ADE) account for 34% of inpatient harms¹. The Institute of Medicine (IOM) estimates that 1.5 million preventable ADEs occur each year.² On average, every patient admitted to the hospital is subject to at least one medication error per day, accounting for approximately \$3.5 billion additional costs.^{3,4}

According to the [National Action Plan for Adverse Drug Event Prevention](#), a review of national inpatient and outpatient data identified three types of ADEs that are common, clinically significant, preventable and measurable: 1) bleeding caused by anticoagulant overdose, 2) overdose and drug interactions with opioids causing over sedation and respiratory failure, and 3) hypoglycemia caused by inappropriate dosing of hypoglycemic agents.⁵

Goal

Hospitals will:

1. Collect and report ADE data for anticoagulants, opioids and hypoglycemic agents and
2. Reduce ADEs in these three areas by 40% by December 2014.

WSHA is working with hospitals to achieve these goals. All related ADE Measure Definition Sheets and Safety Action Bundles can be found on www.wsha.org/ADE.cfm

Context and Limitations

As of Q3 2013, 43.4% of participating hospitals were collecting and submitting ADE data to WSHA Quality Benchmarking System (QBS). In January 2014, the WSHA ADE Advisory Group reviewed data submission rates, and shared concerns surrounding the time it takes to have reports written at each of their hospitals.

Due to significant challenges with ADE report writing and data mining for hospitals, the Advisory Group recommended convening a group of report writers and clinicians to work together on developing common report writing language for the primary measures. This would not only save time at each of the hospitals, it would also increase standardization in the region and reduce barriers to obtaining ADE data for analysis and harm reduction. This document contains the efforts of the Report Writing subgroup. Most of the hospitals involved in the Report Writing group use Epic as their EHR, however the group was mindful when writing pseudocodes to write them in a way that would be useful to all report writers regardless of EHR used.

¹ Noel Elridge, MS, AHRQ Center for Quality Improvement and Patient Safety, "Annual Partnership for Patients Hospital-Acquired Conditions (HACs) Data (2010 Baseline, 2011 Final, and Preliminary 2012)," DRAFT for Presentation January 15, 2014.

² "How-to Guide: Prevent Harm from High-alert Medications." Cambridge, MA: Institute for Healthcare Improvement 2012. Web February 2013. <http://www.ihi.org/knowledge/Pages/Tools/HowtoGuidePreventHarmfromHighAlertMedications.aspx>

³ Ebbesen .J, Juajordet I., Erikssen J., et al. "Drug-Related Deaths in a Department of Internal Medicine." Arch Intern Med 161 (2001) 2317-2323.

⁴ "Anticoagulant Toolkit: Preventing Adverse Drug Events." IHI 2008 Purdue University PharmaTap. February 2013. <http://www.ihi.org/knowledge/Pages/Tools/AnticoagulantToolkitReducingADEs.aspx>

⁵ U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. (2013). National Action Plan for Adverse Drug Event Prevention. Washington, DC. Web December 2013. <http://www.health.gov/hai/pdfs/ade-action-plan.pdf>

Although Option 2 measures are available for hospitals who are unable to collect and submit primary measure data, the pseudocodes in this document have been written for the primary measures since 1) the primary measures are the preferred and more clinically specific measures, and 2) the assumption is that hospitals who are submitting Option 2 measures are less likely to have an integrated electronic health record system (EHR).

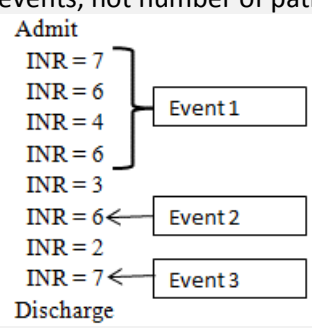
The pseudocodes presented in this document are intended to be used by hospital report writers, and clinical staff who request and review the data.

For more information about inclusion criteria, exclusion criteria and data submission for these measures, please refer to corresponding [ADE Measure Definition Sheets](#). ADE Measure Definition Sheets are available on: www.wsha.org/ADE.cfm.

Pseudocode for ADE Anticoagulants Primary Measure

This pseudocode is based on the [ADE Anticoagulant Measure Definition Sheet](#)

<p>Numerator Number of patient events with an INR >5 after any warfarin administration (for patients cared for in an inpatient area). A patient that has multiple elevated INRs will be counted as one event until it drops below 3.5 and rises above 5 again.</p> <p>Denominator Number of patients (cared for in an inpatient area) on warfarin.</p> <p>See ADE Anticoagulant Measure Definition Sheet for Inclusion and Exclusion criteria.</p>

Pseudocode	Clinical Translation
<p>Start – Identifying Flags</p>	<p>Start by identifying patients according to inclusion and exclusion criteria as defined on the ADE Anticoagulant Measure Definition Sheet.</p>
<p>Identify Inclusion Criteria Flags</p> <p>IF Lab Component = INR or INR (POC) THEN Count INRLabResult (for status 'Final' or 'Corrected')</p> <p>Create Elevated INR Flag () IF after Warfarin given and before INR<3.5, there is at least one INR>5 THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p> <p>OR if there is at least one INR > 5 after Warfarin and patient subsequently discharged THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p> <p>Patients with Warfarin Flag () IF medication = Warfarin Sodium and IF MAR action=Given⁶ THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p>	<p>Identify patients who have INR lab results.</p> <p>Identify patients who had elevated INRs. Include separate events when INR dropped below 3.5 and went back above 5. Count number of events, not number of patients.</p>  <p>Admit INR = 7 INR = 6 INR = 4 INR = 6 INR = 3 INR = 6 ← Event 2 INR = 2 INR = 7 ← Event 3 Discharge</p> <p>Identify patients who were given warfarin.</p>

⁶ Use terms specific for MAR like: Given, Given During Downtime, Override pull

Pseudocode	Clinical Translation
<p><u>Identify Exclusion Criteria Flags</u></p> <p>Diagnosis Flag () IF diagnosis⁷ in ('70.0', 70.1', 70.2', '70.21', '70.22', '70.23', 70.3', '70.31', '70.32', '70.3 3', '70.4', '70.41', '70.42', 70.43', '70.44', '70.49', '70 .5', '70.51', '70.52', '70.53', '70.54', '70.59', '70.6', '70.7', '70.71', '70.9', '155.0', '155.1', '155.2', '197. 7', '211.5', '230.8', '235.3', '570', '571.0', '571.1', '5 71.2', '571.3', '571.4', '571.41', '571.42', '571.49', '5 71.5', '571.6', '571.8', '571.9', '572.2', '572.3', '572. 4', '572.8', '573', '573.1', '573.2', '573.3', '573.4', '5 73.5', '573.8', '573.9', '964.2', '197.7', '155', '153', ' 573.3', '572.2', '289.81')</p> <p>THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p> <p>Exclude patients with Argatroban Flag () IF MAR Action=Given or New Bag and medication=argatroban THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p> <p>Exclude INRs marked 'Canceled', 'Disregard', 'Specimen Contamination' or INRs measured in the ED</p>	<p>Identify patients who have one of the excluded diagnoses.</p> <p>Identify patients who were given argatroban.</p>
<p><u>Define Numerator and Denominator</u></p> <p>Numerator Count () Count elevated INR events</p> <p>Where</p> <p>Patient Type = Inpatient or Observation or Rehab AND Elevated INR Flag = Y AND Exclusion Diagnosis Flag = N AND Exclusion Argatroban Flag = N</p> <p>Denominator Count () Count encounters</p> <p>Where</p> <p>Patient Type = Inpatient or Observation or Rehab AND Exclusion Diagnosis Flag = N AND Warfarin Flag = Y AND Exclusion Argatroban Flag = N</p>	<p>Compile Numerator: For patients cared for in an inpatient area, include elevated INR events. Exclude patients with certain diagnoses and patients who received argatroban.</p> <p>Compile Denominator: Include patients cared for in an inpatient area. Exclude patients with certain diagnoses, and patients who received warfarin and argatroban.</p>

⁷ Diagnosis occurs anywhere in the diagnosis sequence.

Pseudocode for ADE Opioids Primary Measure

This pseudocode is based on the [ADE Opioids Measure Definition Sheet](#)

<p>Numerator Number of patients (cared for in an inpatient area) who received naloxone < 24 hours after any opioid administration related to over sedation.</p> <p>Denominator Number of patients (cared for in an inpatient area) receiving opioids.</p> <p>See ADE Opioids Measure Definition Sheet for Inclusion and Exclusion criteria.</p>
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Pseudocode	Clinical Translation
Start – Identifying Flags	Start by identifying patients according to inclusion and exclusion criteria as defined on the ADE Opioids Measure Definition Sheet .
<p><u>Identify Inclusion Criteria Flags</u></p> <p>Naloxone Flag () IF MAR action = given⁸ AND medication = Naloxone AND prior med = Opioid⁹ AND time between <24hrs THEN 1 ELSE 0</p> <p>Opioid Flag () IF MAR action = given⁷ AND medication = Opioid THEN 1 ELSE 0</p>	<p>Include patient if naloxone was given within 24 hours of opioid being given.</p> <p>Include patients who were given opioids.</p>
<p><u>Identify Exclusion Criteria Flags</u></p> <p>ED flag () IF Naloxone Dispense Location¹⁰ = ED THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p>	<p>Exclude naloxone doses given in the ED.</p>

⁸ Use terms specific for MAR like: Given, Given During Downtime, Override pull

⁹ See Opioid list attached at the end of this document

¹⁰ This would exclude any status type i.e. inpatient, observation, emergency. If the dose was given in the ED it will be excluded.

Pseudocode	Clinical Translation
<p>DX flag () IF diagnosis¹¹ in (304.00, 304.01, 304.02, 304.70, 304.71, 304.72, 305.50, 305.51, 305.52, 965.00, 965.01, 965.02, 965.09, E850.0, E850.1, E850.2, E950.0, E980.0) THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p> <p>24 hour flag () IF Naloxone given within 24 hour of admission¹² THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p> <p>Procedural Area Flag () IF med given¹³ = Naloxone AND Dispense Department Specialty¹⁴ in (CT Scan, Day Surgery, Echo, EKG, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, PET/CT Scan, Post Anes Care, IP Post Anesthesia Care, IP Short Stay – Cardiovasc, Cardiac Cath Lab, etc) THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p> <p>Infusion flag () IF MAR admin route = Intravenous (IVPB) AND Med=Naloxone THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'</p>	<p>Exclude these diagnoses within 24 hours of admission.</p> <p>Exclude Naloxone given in PACU and procedural areas (e.g. endoscopy, radiology and cath lab).</p> <p>Exclude naloxone given IV infusion.</p>
<p><u>Define Numerator and Denominator</u></p> <p>Numerator Count () Count distinct encounters (not doses)</p> <p>Where</p> <p> Patient Type=Inpatient, Observation or Rehab</p> <p>AND Naloxone Flag = 1</p> <p>AND Opioid Flag =1</p> <p>AND ED flag = N</p> <p>AND (Dx flag = N OR (Dx flag = Y AND 24 hour flag = N))</p> <p>AND Infusion flag = N</p> <p>AND Procedural Area Flag = N</p>	<p>Compile Numerator: Include patients cared for in an inpatient area i.e. inpatient, observation and rehab beds. Include patients given naloxone within 24 hours of opioid. Exclude doses given in ED. Exclude doses given within 24 hours of admission for the listed diagnoses. Exclude doses given via IV infusion. Exclude doses given in PACU and procedural areas.</p>

¹¹ In diagnosis sequence: per CMS coding guidelines, 304 codes may not be listed as the principle dx and the E-codes will never be listed as a principle diagnosis.

¹² Admission to bed, regardless of status. For e.g. include inpatient, observation and rehab beds.

¹³ Use terms specific for MAR like: Given, Given During Downtime, Override pull

¹⁴ These are general terms. Use terms are specific to your facility.

Pseudocode	Clinical Translation
Denominator Count () Count distinct encounters (not doses) Where Patient Type=Inpatient, Observation or Rehab AND Opioid flag =1	Compile Denominator: Include patients given opioids.

List of Opioids

Alfentanil	HYDROmorphone HCl	Morphine Sulfate Liposome
Codeine Sulfate (and any drug combination containing codeine)	HYDROmorphone HCl-NaCl	Morphine Sulfate Microinfusion
FentaNYL	Hydromorphone-Bupivacaine-NaCl	Morphine Sulfate-NaCl
FentaNYL Citrate	Hydromorphone-Guaifenesin	Morphine-Naltrexone
FentaNYL Citrate-NaCl	Meperidine HCl	Opium Tincture
Fentanyl Cit-Ropivacaine-NaCl	Meperidine HCl-Sodium Chloride	Oxycodone
Fentanyl-Bupivacaine-NaCl	Meperidine-Promethazine	Oxycodone-Acetaminophen
Fentanyl-Droperidol	Methadone	Oxycodone-Aspirin
Hydrocodone	Morphine Sulfate	Oxymorphone
Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen	Morphine Sulfate Beads	Remifentanil HCl
Hydrocodone-Homatropine	Morphine Sulfate in Dextrose	SUFentanil Citrate

Pseudocode for ADE Hypoglycemic Agents Primary Measure

This pseudocode is based on the [ADE Hypoglycemic Agents Measure Definition Sheet](#)

Numerator

Number of patient blood glucose (BG) levels of <50 mg/dl after any hypoglycemic agent administration (for patients cared for in an inpatient area). Blood glucose (BG) is Point of Care (POC) and/or serum test results

Denominator

Number of patients (cared for in an inpatient area) receiving hypoglycemic agents (oral & insulin).

See [ADE Hypoglycemic Agents Measure Definition Sheet](#) for Inclusion/Exclusion criteria.

Pseudocode	Clinical Translation
Start – Identifying Flags	Start by identifying patients according to inclusion and exclusion criteria as defined on the ADE Hypoglycemic Agents Measure Definition Sheet .
<u>Identify Inclusion Criteria Flags</u> Patients with Hypoglycemic Agent Flag () IF medication = hypoglycemic agents ¹⁵ and IF MAR action=Given(1) ¹⁶ or New Bag THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N' Hypoglycemic Event() IF Lab Component ¹⁷ = LAB PERFORM POC GLUC, GLUCOSE, GLUCOSE FASTING, GLUCOSE 30MIN, GLUCOSE 2HR PP AND = resulted AND Result Value <50 mg/dl THEN 1 ELSE 0	Include patients who were given hypoglycemic agents. Note: For Epic users, “New Bag” indicates IV infusion given. Include any relevant MAR actions for other EHR systems. Include patients who have point of care and serum blood glucose lab results of <50 mg/dl.
<u>Identify Exclusion Criteria Flags</u> ED Reading Flag() IF blood glucose measured when patient location = ED THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N'	Exclude blood glucose readings collected while patient located in the Emergency Department.

¹⁵ See Hypoglycemic Agents list attached at the end of this document

¹⁶ Use terms specific for MAR like: Given, Given During Downtime, Override pull

¹⁷ Epic Component IDs: 3390, 2311, 2301, 2242, 3157, 59, 1741, 1998, 15, 1125, 2662, 665, 1893, 3087, 2406. Note to hospitals using other EHRs: use terms specific to your facility and EHR.

Pseudocode	Clinical Translation
<p>Additional Reading Flag() Exclude any additional pre-intervention lab results of BG <50 mg/dl within 30 minutes of the last BG <50 mg/dl level drawn.</p>	<p>Exclude the lab results if they are within 30 minutes from the result time of the last level. Note it's "result time" vs "draw time" as a baseline since for laboratory blood glucose level, the draw time and the result time may vary a bit.</p>
<p><u>Define Numerator and Denominator</u></p> <p>Numerator Count () Count glucose readings Where Patient Type = Inpatient or Observation or Rehab AND ED Reading Flag = N AND Hypoglycemic Event >0</p> <p>Denominator Count () Count Encounters Where Patient Type = Inpatient or Observation or Rehab AND hypoglycemic agent Flag¹⁸ = Y</p>	<p>Compile Numerator: Include hypoglycemic events for patients cared for in an inpatient area. Exclude ED readings.</p> <p>Compile Denominator: Include patients cared for in an inpatient area who received hypoglycemic agents.</p>

¹⁸ All patients receiving a hypoglycemic agent

List of Hypoglycemic Agents

ShortMedicationNM	BYETTA	GLUCOTROL XL
acarbose	BYETTA 10 MCG PEN	GLUCOVANCE
AcetoHEXAMIDE	BYETTA 5 MCG PEN	GLUMETZA
ACTOPLUS MET	chlorproPAMIDE	glyBURIDE
ACTOPLUS MET XR	CYCLOSET	glyBURIDE micronized
ACTOS	DIABETA	Glyburide-Metformin
Alogliptin Benzoate	DIABINESE	GLYCRON
Alogliptin-Metformin HCl	DUETACT	GLYNASE
Alogliptin-Pioglitazone	exenatide	GLYSET
AMARYL	EXUBERA	HUMALOG
APIDRA	FORTAMET	Humalog Mix 50/50
APIDRA OPTICLIK	Glibenclamide	HUMALOG MIX 75/25
APIDRA SOLOSTAR	glimepiride	HUMALOG PEN
APPFORMIN	GLIPIZIDE	HUMULIN 50/50
APPFORMIN-D	GLIPIZIDE XL	HUMULIN 70/30
AVANDAMET	GLIPIZIDE-METFORMIN	HUMULIN 70/30 KWIKPEN
AVANDARYL	GliPiZIDE-Metformin HCl	HUMULIN 70/30 PEN
AVANDIA	GLUCOPHAGE	HUMULIN L
Bromocriptine Mesylate	GLUCOPHAGE XR	HUMULIN N
BYDUREON	GLUCOTROL	HUMULIN N KWIKPEN

HUMULIN N PEN	insulin lispro protamine & insulin lispro	JANUVIA
HUMULIN R		JENTADUETO
HUMULIN U	insulin lispro protamine & insulin lispro mix 75/25	JUVISYNC
ILETIN I LENTE	insulin lispro protamine & lispro	KAZANO
ILETIN I NPH	insulin novolog 70/30 mix	KOMBIGLYZE XR
ILETIN I REGULAR	insulin nph	LANTUS
ILETIN II LENTE (PORK)	insulin NPH and regular (human) 50-50	LEVEMIR
ILETIN II NPH (PORK)		LEVEMIR FLEXPEN
ILETIN II REGULAR (PORK)	INSULIN PURIFIED LENTE (PORK)	linagliptin
insulin (regular)	INSULIN PURIFIED NPH (PORK)	Linagliptin-Metformin HCl
insulin (regular) 1 unit/mL in sterile diluent dilution	INSULIN PURIFIED REGULAR(PORK)	Liraglutide
insulin 70/30	Insulin Reg (Human) Buffered	METAGLIP
insulin aspart (and any other insulin aspart sliding scales)	INSULIN REGULAR	metformin
insulin aspart-protamine insulin aspart	insulin regular (human)	Metformin HCl
insulin detemir	insulin regular (human) 150 units in 0.9 % NaCl (NS) 150 mL	MICRONASE
insulin glargine	Insulin Regular Human (and any other insulin regular sliding scales)	miglitol
insulin glulisine	Insulin Regular Pork	nateglinide
INSULIN INJECTION	Insulin U-500	NESINA
INSULIN ISOPHANE	INSULIN ZINC	NOVOLIN 70/30
Insulin Isophane Pork	Insulin Zinc Extended Human	NOVOLIN 70/30 INNOLET
insulin lente	Insulin Zinc Pork	NOVOLIN 70/30 PENFILL
INSULIN LISP & LISP PROT (HUM)	JANUMET	NOVOLIN 70/30 RELION
insulin lispro	JANUMET XR	NOVOLIN L
		NOVOLIN N
		NOVOLIN N INNOLET
		NOVOLIN N PENFILL

NOVOLIN N RELION	Pioglitazone HCl	RIOMET
NOVOLIN R	Pioglitazone HCl-Glimepiride	rosiglitazone
NOVOLIN R INNOLET	Pioglitazone HCl-Metformin HCl	Rosiglitazone-Glimepiride
NOVOLIN R PENFILL	pramlintide	Rosiglitazone-Metformin
NOVOLIN R RELION	Pramlintide Acetate	Saxagliptin HCl
NOVOLOG	PRANDIMET	Saxagliptin-Metformin
NOVOLOG FLEXPEN	PRANDIN	sitagliptin
NOVOLOG MIX 50/50	PRECOSE	sitagliptin-metformin
NOVOLOG MIX 70/30	regular insulin	Sitagliptin-Metformin HCl
NOVOLOG MIX 70/30 FLEXPEN	RELION 70/30	Sitagliptin-Simvastatin
NOVOLOG MIX 70/30 PENFILL	RELION 70/30 INNOLET	STARLIX
NOVOLOG PENFILL	RELION N	SYMLIN
ONGLYZA	RELION N INNOLET	SYMLINPEN 120
ORINASE	RELION R	SYMLINPEN 60
OSENI	Repaglinide	THSC GLYBURIDE
pioglitazone	Repaglinide-Metformin HCl	
TOLAZamide		
TOLBUTamide		
TOLINASE		
TRADJENTA		
VELOSULIN BR (RDNA)		
VICTOZA		