

Home Health Quality Measures – Outcomes

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End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Grooming	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved in ability to groom self.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in grooming themselves at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to groom self without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1800) Grooming (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Grooming	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved or stayed the same in ability to groom self.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in grooming themselves at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally unable to groom self, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1800) Grooming (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Upper Body Dressing	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved in ability to dress upper body.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in dressing their upper body at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to dress upper body without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1810) Current Ability to Dress Upper Body (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Lower Body Dressing	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved in ability to dress lower body.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in dressing their lower body at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to dress lower body without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1820) Current Ability to Dress Lower Body (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Bathing	Yes	Endorsed (0174)	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient got better at bathing self.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in bathing at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to bath self independently, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1830) Bathing (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious

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End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Bathing	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved or stayed the same in the ability to bathe.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in bathing at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally dependent in bathing, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1830) Bathing (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Toilet Transferring	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved in ability to get to and from and on and off the toilet.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in getting to and from and on and off the toilet at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to get to and from and on and off the toilet without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1840) Toilet Transferring (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Toilet Transferring	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved or stayed the same in ability to get to and from and on and off the toilet.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in getting to and from and on and off the toilet at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally unable to get to and from or on and off the toilet, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1840) Toilet Transferring (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Toileting Hygiene	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved in ability to manage toileting hygiene.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in toileting hygiene at discharge than at start/resumption of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to maintain toileting hygiene without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1845) Toileting Hygiene (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Toileting Hygiene	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved or stayed the same in ability to manage toileting hygiene.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in toileting hygiene at discharge than at start/resumption of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally unable to maintain toileting hygiene or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1845) Toileting Hygiene (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious

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End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Bed Transferring	Yes	Endorsed (0175)	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved in ability to get in and out of bed.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in bed transferring at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to transfer independently, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1850) Transferring (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Bed Transferring	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved or stayed the same in ability to get in and out of bed.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in bed transferring at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally unable to transfer in and out of bed, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1850) Transferring (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Ambulation- Locomotion	Yes	Endorsed (0167)	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved in ability to ambulate.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in ambulation/locomotion at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to ambulate independently, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1860) Ambulation/ Locomotion (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Eating	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient got better at feeding self.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in feeding self at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to feed self independently, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1870) Feeding or Eating (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Light Meal Preparation	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved in ability to fix or reheat light meals or snacks.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in light meal preparation at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to fix or reheat light meals or snacks without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1880) Current Ability to Plan and Prepare Light Meals (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Light Meal Preparation	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved or stayed the same in ability to fix or reheat light meals or snacks.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in light meal preparation at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally unable to fix or reheat light meals or snacks, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1880) Current Ability to Plan and Prepare Light Meals (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious

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End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Phone Use	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved in ability to use the telephone.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in using the phone at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to use the phone without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive, or patient does not have a telephone.	(M1890) Ability to Use Telephone (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Phone Use	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved or stayed the same in ability to use the telephone.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in using the phone at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally unable to use the phone, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive, or patient does not have a telephone.	(M1890) Ability to Use Telephone (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Improvement in Management of Oral Medications	Yes	Endorsed (0176)	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved in ability to take their medicines correctly (by mouth).	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in taking oral medications correctly at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to take oral medications correctly without assistance or supervision, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive, or patient has no oral medications prescribed.	(M2020) Management of Oral Medications (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Functional	Stabilization in Management of Oral Medications	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient improved or stayed the same in ability to take their medicines correctly (by mouth).	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in taking oral medications correctly at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally dependent in taking oral medications, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive, or patient has no oral medications prescribed.	(M2020) Management of Oral Medications (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Dyspnea	Yes	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient became less short of breath or dyspneic.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates less dyspnea at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was not short of breath at any time, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death.	(M1400) When is the patient dyspneic?
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Pain Interfering with Activity	Yes	Endorsed (0177)	Yes#	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient's frequency of pain when moving around improved.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less frequent pain interfering with activity at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, did not have pain interfering with activity, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1242) Frequency of Pain Interfering with Activity (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious

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End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Speech and Language	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved in ability to speak clearly and be understood.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates less impairment in speaking and being understood at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was able to express self clearly (orally) without prompting or assistance, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1230) Speech and Oral (Verbal) Expression of Language (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Stabilization in Speech and Language	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients improved or stayed the same in ability to speak clearly and be understood.	Number of home health episodes of care where the value recorded on the discharge assessment indicates the same or less impairment in speaking and being understood at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was totally unable to express self, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1230) Speech and Oral (Verbal) Expression of Language (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Status of Surgical Wounds	Yes	Endorsed (0178)	Yes#	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient demonstrates an improvement in the condition of surgical wounds.	Number of home health episodes of care where the patient has a better status of surgical wounds at discharge compared to start (resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, did not have any surgical wounds or had only a surgical wound that was unobservable or fully epithelialized, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death.	(M1340) Does this patient have a Surgical Wound? (M1342) Status of Most Problematic Surgical Wound that is Observable
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Urinary Tract Infection	No	Not endorsed	Yes#	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient's urinary tract infection at start/resumption of care was resolved before discharge.	Number of home health episodes of care where the start (resumption) of care assessment indicates the patient had a urinary tract infection, and the discharge assessment indicates the patient did not have a urinary tract infection.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was not being treated for a urinary tract infection, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death.	(M1600) Urinary Tract Infection
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Urinary Incontinence	No	Not endorsed	Yes#	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient had less frequent urinary incontinence, or had a urinary catheter removed.	Number of home health episodes of care where the patient has less frequent urinary incontinence at discharge compared to start (resumption) of care; OR a urinary catheter present at start (resumption) of care is no longer present at discharge.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was continent of urine AND did not have a urinary catheter, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1610) Urinary Incontinence or Urinary Catheter Presence: (M1615) When does Urinary Incontinence occur? (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Bowel Incontinence	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patient's bowel control improves.	Number of home health episodes of care where the patient has less frequent bowel incontinence at discharge compared to start (resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was continent, OR bowel incontinence was unknown, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1620) Bowel Incontinence Frequency (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious

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End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Confusion Frequency	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients are confused less often.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates the patient is confused less often at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was not confused at any time, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Stabilization in Cognitive Functioning	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients get better or remain the same at understanding and remembering things.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates the patient had less cognitive impairment at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was not cognitively impaired, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Anxiety Level	No	Not endorsed	Yes#	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient's anxiety became less frequent.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates the patient had less frequent anxiety at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was not anxious, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Stabilization in Anxiety Level	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient's anxiety became less frequent or stayed the same as at admission.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates the patient had the same or less frequent anxiety at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, was anxious all of the time OR was nonresponsive at start/resumption of care or at discharge, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious
End Result Outcome - Health	Improvement in Behavior Problem Frequency	No	Not endorsed	Yes#	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which patients have less behavior problems such as yelling, hitting or getting lost.	Number of home health episodes of care where the discharge assessment indicates the patient had less frequent behavior problems at discharge than at start (or resumption) of care.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the patient, at start/resumption of care, did not display problem behaviors, episodes that end with inpatient facility transfer or death, or patient is nonresponsive.	(M1745) Frequency of Disruptive Behavior Symptoms (M1700) Cognitive Functioning (M1710) When Confused (M1720) When Anxious

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Utilization Outcome	Emergency Department Use with Hospitalization (OASIS based)	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care during which the patient needed urgent, unplanned medical care from a hospital emergency department, immediately followed by hospital admission.	Number of home health episodes where the transfer to inpatient facility assessment indicates the patient required emergency medical treatment from a hospital emergency department, with hospital admission.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge or transfer to inpatient facility during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care for which the emergency department use is unknown at transfer or discharge, the episode of care ended in death at home.	(M0100) Reason for Assessment (M2300) Emergent Care
Utilization Outcome	Acute Care Hospitalization (OASIS based)	No	Not Endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episodes of care that ended with the patient being admitted to the hospital.	Number of home health episodes of care for which the assessment completed at the conclusion of the episode indicates the patient was admitted to a hospital for a reason other than a scheduled treatment or procedure.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge or transfer to inpatient facility during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care that end in patient death.	(M0100) Reason for Assessment (M2410) Inpatient Facility Admission (M2430) Reason for Hospitalization
Utilization Outcome	Emergency Department Use without Hospitalization (Claims based)	Yes	Endorsed (0173)	Yes	Percentage of home health stays in which patients used the emergency department but were not admitted to the hospital during the 60 days following the start of the home health stay. ⁱⁱ	Number of home health stays for patients who have a Medicare claim for outpatient emergency department use and no claims for acute care hospitalization in the 60 days following the start of the home health stay.	Number of home health stays that begin during the 12-month observation period. A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.	Home health stays that begin with a Low Utilization Payment Adjustment (LUPA) claim. Home health stays in which the patient receives service from multiple agencies during the first 60 days. Home health stays for patients who are not continuously enrolled in fee-for-service Medicare for the 6 months prior to and the 60 days following the start of the home health stay or until death.	None – based on Medicare FFS claims
Utilization Outcome	Acute Care Hospitalization (Claims based)	Yes	Endorsed (0171)	Yes	Percentage of home health stays in which patients were admitted to an acute care hospital during the 60 days following the start of the home health stay.	Number of home health stays for patients who have a Medicare claim for an admission to an acute care hospital in the 60 days following the start of the home health stay.	Number of home health stays that begin during the 12-month observation period. A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.	Home health stays that begin with a Low Utilization Payment Adjustment (LUPA) claim. Home health stays in which the patient receives service from multiple agencies during the first 60 days. Home health stays for patients who are not continuously enrolled in fee-for-service Medicare for the 6 months prior to and the 60 days following the start of the home health stay or until death. Planned hospitalizations are excluded from the numerator.	None – based on Medicare FFS claims

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Utilization Outcome	Rehospitalization During the First 30 Days of Home Health (Claims based)	Yes	Pending	Yes	Percentage of home health stays in which patients who had an acute inpatient hospitalization discharge within 5 days before the start of their home health stay and were admitted to an acute care hospital during the 30 days following the start of the home health stay.	<p>Number of home health stays for patients who have a Medicare claim for an admission to an acute care hospital in the 30 days following the start of the home health stay.</p> <p>A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.</p>	<p>Number of home health stays that begin during the 12-month observation period for patients who had an acute inpatient hospitalization discharge within five days prior to the start of the HH stay.</p> <p>A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.</p>	<p>Numerator Exclusions: Inpatient claims for planned hospitalizations are excluded from the rehospitalization measure numerator. Planned hospitalizations are defined using the same criteria as the Hospital-Wide All-Cause Unplanned Readmission Measure as of January 2013.</p> <p>Denominator Exclusions: Home health stays that begin with a Low Utilization Payment Adjustment (LUPA) claim. Home health stays for patients who aren't continuously enrolled in fee-for-service Medicare for the 6 months before or 30 days after the start of the home health stay or until death. Home health stays in which the patient receives service from multiple agencies during the first 30 days or receives services in another care setting between leaving the hospital and starting home health. Home health stays occurring within five days of non-qualifying inpatient hospitalizations, which includes admissions for the treatment of cancer, psychiatric disease, or rehabilitations, and inpatient stays ending in patient discharge against medical advice.</p>	None – based on Medicare FFS claims

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Utilization Outcome	Emergency Department Use without Hospital Readmission During the First 30 Days of Home Health (Claims based)	Yes	Pending	Yes	<p>Percentage of home health stays in which patients who had an acute inpatient hospitalization discharge within 5 days before the start of their home health stay used an emergency department but were not admitted to an acute care hospital during the 30 days following the start of the home health stay.</p> <p>A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.</p>	<p>Number of home health stays for patients who have a Medicare claim for outpatient emergency department use and no claims for acute care hospitalization in the 30 days following the start of the home health stay.</p> <p>A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.</p>	<p>Number of home health stays that begin during the 12-month observation period for patients who had an acute inpatient hospitalization discharge within five days prior to the start of the HH stay.</p> <p>A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.</p>	Denominator Exclusions: Home health stays that begin with a Low Utilization Payment Adjustment (LUPA) claim. Home health stays for patients who aren't continuously enrolled in fee-for-service Medicare for the 6 months before or 30 days after the start of the home health stay or until death. Home health stays in which the patient receives service from multiple agencies during the first 30 days or receives services in another care setting between leaving the hospital and starting home health. Home health stays occurring within five days of non-qualifying inpatients hospitalizations, which includes admissions for the treatment of cancer, psychiatric disease, or rehabilitations, and inpatient stays ending in patient discharge against medical advice.	None – based on Medicare FFS claims
Utilization Outcome	Discharged to Community	No	Not endorsed	Yes	Percentage of home health episode after which patients remained at home.	Number of home health episodes where the assessment completed at the discharge indicates the patient remained in the community after discharge.	Number of home health episodes of care ending with a discharge or transfer to inpatient facility during the reporting period, other than those covered by generic or measure-specific exclusions.	Home health episodes of care that end in patient death.	(M0100) Reason for Assessment (M2420) Discharge Disposition

ⁱ All outcome measures are risk adjusted. The risk adjustment methodology, using a predictive model developed specifically for each measure, compensates for differences in the patient population served by different home health agencies. The outcome measures for which the predictive models did not meet the arbitrary criteria R2 >= 0.10 or C-statistic >= 0.70 are designated with a pound sign (#) to highlight the fact that they have less robust risk adjustment.

ⁱⁱ A home health stay is a sequence of home health payment episodes separated from other home health payment episodes by at least 60 days.