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PQRS#	NQF#	Reporting Method	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title: Description
5	0081	Registry, EHR, Measures Groups	Effective Clinical Care	Heart Failure: Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD): Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of heart failure (HF) with a current or prior left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) < 40% who were prescribed ACE inhibitor or ARB therapy either within a 12 month period when seen in the outpatient setting or at each hospital discharge
6	0067	Registry, Measures Groups	Effective Clinical Care	Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Antiplatelet Therapy: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of coronary artery disease (CAD) seen within a 12 month period who were prescribed aspirin or clopidogrel
7	0070	Registry, EHR, Measures Groups	Effective Clinical Care	Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Beta-Blocker Therapy: Prior Myocardial Infarction (MI) or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF < 40%): Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of coronary artery disease seen within a 12 month period who also have prior MI OR a current or prior LVEF < 40% who were prescribed beta-blocker therapy
8	0083	Registry, EHR, GPRO (Web Interface), Measures Groups	Effective Clinical Care	Heart Failure (HF): Beta-Blocker Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD): Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of heart failure (HF) with a current or prior left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) < 40% who were prescribed beta-blocker therapy either within a 12 month period when seen in the outpatient setting OR at each hospital discharge
204	0068	Claims, Registry, EHR, GPRO (Web Interface), Measures Groups	Effective Clinical Care	Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD): Use of Aspirin or Another Antithrombotic: Percentage of patients 18 years of age and older who were discharged alive for acute myocardial infarction (AMI), coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) or percutaneous coronary interventions (PCI) in the 12 months prior to the measurement period, or who had an active diagnosis of ischemic vascular disease (IVD) during the measurement period and who had documentation of use of aspirin or another antithrombotic during the measurement period
226	0028	Claims, Registry, EHR, GPRO (Web Interface), Measures Groups	Community/ Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months AND who received cessation counseling intervention if identified as a tobacco user

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236	0018	Claims, Registry, EHR, GPRO (Web Interface), Measures Groups	Effective Clinical Care	Controlling High Blood Pressure: Percentage of patients 18-85 years of age who had a diagnosis of hypertension and whose blood pressure was adequately controlled (<140/90 mmHg) during the measurement period
242	N/A	Measures Groups	Effective Clinical Care	Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Symptom Management: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of coronary artery disease (CAD) seen within a 12 month period with results of an evaluation of level of activity and an assessment of whether anginal symptoms are present or absent with appropriate management of anginal symptoms within a 12 month period
322	N/A	Registry	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Preoperative Evaluation in Low Risk Surgery Patients: Percentage of stress single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) myocardial perfusion imaging (MPI), stress echocardiogram (ECHO), cardiac computed tomography angiography (CCTA), or cardiac magnetic resonance (CMR) performed in low risk surgery patients 18 years or older for preoperative evaluation during the 12-month reporting period
323	N/A	Registry	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Routine Testing After Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI): Percentage of all stress single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) myocardial perfusion imaging (MPI), stress echocardiogram (ECHO), cardiac computed tomography angiography (CCTA), and cardiovascular magnetic resonance (CMR) performed in patients aged 18 years and older routinely after percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), with reference to timing of test after PCI and symptom status
324	N/A	Registry	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Testing in Asymptomatic, Low-Risk Patients: Percentage of all stress single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) myocardial perfusion imaging (MPI), stress echocardiogram (ECHO), cardiac computed tomography angiography (CCTA), and cardiovascular magnetic resonance (CMR) performed in asymptomatic, low coronary heart disease (CHD) risk patients 18 years and older for initial detection and risk assessment

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326	1525	Claims, Registry	Effective Clinical Care	Atrial Fibrillation and Atrial Flutter: Chronic Anticoagulation Therapy: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of nonvalvular atrial fibrillation (AF) or atrial flutter whose assessment of the specified thromboembolic risk factors indicate one or more high-risk factors or more than one moderate risk factor, as determined by CHADS2 risk stratification, who are prescribed warfarin OR another oral anticoagulant drug that is FDA approved for the prevention of thromboembolism
438	N/A	Registry, Measures Groups, GPRO (Web Interface)	Effective Clinical Care	Statin Therapy for the Prevention and Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease: Percentage of the following patients—all considered at high risk of cardiovascular events—who were prescribed or were on statin therapy during the measurement period: • Adults aged ≥ 21 years who were previously diagnosed with or currently have an active diagnosis of clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD); OR • Adults aged ≥21 years with a fasting or direct low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) level ≥ 190 mg/dL; OR • Adults aged 40-75 years with a diagnosis of diabetes with a fasting or direct LDL-C level of 70-189 mg/dL
Electrophysiology Cardiac Specialist				
348	N/A	Registry	Patient Safety	HRS-3 Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator (ICD) Complications Rate: Patients with physician-specific risk-standardized rates of procedural complications following the first time implantation of an ICD
392	2474	Registry	Patient Safety	HRS-12: Cardiac Tamponade and/or Pericardiocentesis Following Atrial Fibrillation Ablation: Rate of cardiac tamponade and/or pericardiocentesis following atrial fibrillation ablation This measure is reported as four rates stratified by age and gender: • Reporting Age Criteria 1: Females less than 65 years of age • Reporting Age Criteria 2: Males less than 65 years of age • Reporting Age Criteria 3: Females 65 years of age and older • Reporting Age Criteria 4: Males 65 years of age and older
393	N/A	Registry	Patient Safety	HRS-9: Infection within 180 Days of Cardiac Implantable Electronic Device (CIED) Implantation, Replacement, or Revision: Infection rate following CIED device implantation, replacement, or revision

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399	2452	Registry	Effective Clinical Care	Post-procedural Optimal Medical Therapy Composite (Percutaneous Coronary Intervention): Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older for whom PCI is performed who are prescribed optimal medical therapy at discharge

This table is a resource of potential measures that may be applicable to eligible professionals providing clinical services for Cardiology. Please note that in addition to this table, a cross cutting measures list is also available for reporting at the following link: [2016 Cross-Cutting Measures List](#)