

eMeasure title	Measure description	Denominator definition	Numerator criteria, as currently specified	Exclusions and exceptions	Definitions
Cognitive Impairment Assessment Among At-Risk Older Adults	Percentage of patients age 80 or older with documentation of (1) results from a standardized tool assessing cognitive impairment* or (2) a patient or informant interview, with this documentation appearing in the electronic health record at least once during the measurement period.	Patients age 80 or older with a visit to the provider during the measurement period.	<p>Patients with results from standardized assessment tools (see next paragraph) or from patient or informant interviews (such as behavioral or cognitive assessments) that are documented in the electronic health record at least once during the measurement period.</p> <p>Currently specified assessment tools are the Mini Mental State Examination, the General Practitioner Assessment of Cognition, and the Mental Status Assessment of Older Adults (Mini-Cog).</p>	<p>Denominator exclusions: Patients diagnosed with cognitive impairment, dementia, or a mental degeneration before the start of the measurement period and whose diagnosis remained active throughout the measurement period.</p> <p>Exceptions: None</p>	<p><u>*Cognitive impairment:</u> According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), cognitive impairment occurs when people have “trouble remembering, learning new things, concentrating, or making decisions that affect their everyday life.”¹</p>
Documentation of a Health Care Proxy for Patients with Cognitive Impairment	Percentage of patients who have a health care proxy designated in the electronic health record during the measurement period among all patients with either (1) a diagnosis of dementia or cognitive impairment* or (2) a positive assessment/interview for cognitive impairment.	All patients (1) with a visit to the provider during the measurement period and (2) before the start of the measurement period, either a positive result on an assessment for cognitive impairment or a diagnosis of dementia or cognitive impairment.	Patients for whom documentation of a designated health care proxy in the medical record has been confirmed during the measurement period. Documentation should include the name and contact information of the health care proxy.	<p>Exclusions: None</p> <p>Exceptions: None</p>	<p><u>*Cognitive impairment:</u> According to CDC, cognitive impairment occurs when people have “trouble remembering, learning new things, concentrating, or making decisions that affect their everyday life.”¹</p>

¹ CDC, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. “Cognitive Impairment: A Call for Action, Now!” 2011. Available at http://www.cdc.gov/aging/pdf/cognitive_impairment/cogimp_policy_final.pdf. Accessed November 5, 2014.