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Any changes listed in these Release Notes that will require an update to the OCM Data Registry will be included in a future release. Practices will be notified of the OCM Data Registry release date through the OCM eNews or other email communication from OCM Support.

Quality Measures

Measure Flows within each Measure Specifications document have been updated to incorporate all changes made to measure logic.

OCM-5 Measure Specifications Effective 01.01.2021 v1.6

Since the release of the “OCM-5 Measure Specifications v1.5” document in January 2020, the following updates have been identified:

1. Updated eCQM measure number from “CMS 2v9.1” to “CMS 2v10.2”
2. Updated the Description section from “...on the date of the encounter or 14 days prior to the date of the encounter” to “...on the date of the encounter or up to 14 days prior to the date of the encounter”
3. Updated the Definitions section to remove the following examples for follow-up plan:
 - a. Additional evaluation or assessment for depression
 - b. Suicide Risk Assessment
4. Updated the Guidance section from “...AND if positive, either additional evaluation for depression, suicide risk assessment, referral to a practitioner who is qualified to diagnose and treat depression, pharmacological interventions, or other interventions or follow-up for the diagnosis or treatment of depression is documented on the date of the eligible encounter.” to “AND if positive, a follow-up plan must be documented on the date of the encounter, such as referral to a practitioner who is qualified to treat depression, pharmacological interventions or other interventions for the treatment of depression.”
5. Added to the Guidance section:
 - a. “The intent of the measure is to screen for depression in patients who have never had a diagnosis of depression or bipolar disorder prior to the eligible encounter used to evaluate the numerator. Patients who have ever been diagnosed with depression or bipolar disorder will be excluded from the measure.”
 - b. The following “Screening Tools”:
 - i. “An age-appropriate, standardized, and validated depression screening tool must be used for numerator compliance.”
 - ii. “The measure assesses the most recent depression screening completed either during the eligible encounter or within the 14 days prior to that encounter. Therefore, a clinician would not be able to complete another screening at the time of the encounter to count towards a follow-up, because that would serve as the most recent screening. In order to satisfy the follow-up requirement for a patient screening positively, the eligible clinician would need

- to provide one of the aforementioned follow-up actions, which does not include use of a standardized depression screening tool”
- c. Should a patient screen positive for depression, a clinician should opt to complete a suicide risk assessment when appropriate and based on individual patient characteristics. However, for the purposes of this measure, a suicide risk assessment or additional screening using a standardized tool will not qualify as a follow-up plan.
- 6. Removed from the “Screening Tools” in the Guidance section “Standardized Depression Screening Tools should be normalized and validated for the age appropriate patient population in which they are used and must be documented in the medical record”
- 7. Removed from the “follow-up plan” examples in the Guidance section:
 - a. “Additional evaluation or assessment for depression such as psychiatric interview, psychiatric evaluation, or assessment for bipolar disorder”
 - b. “Completion of any Suicide Risk Assessment such as Beck Depression Inventory or Beck Hopelessness Scale”
 - c. “Review and discussion of the risks of untreated versus treated depression is advised. Consideration of each patient's prior disease and treatment history, along with the risk profiles for individual pharmacologic agents, is important when selecting pharmacologic therapy with the greatest likelihood of treatment effect.”
- 8. Updated the “follow-up plan” example in the Guidance section from “Other interventions designed to treat depression such as psychotherapy, pharmacological interventions, or additional treatment options” to “Other interventions designed to treat depression such as behavioral health evaluation, psychotherapy, pharmacological interventions, or additional treatment options”
- 9. Updated the Denominator Exclusions description from “... an active diagnosis of depression or an active diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder” to “... who have been diagnosed with Depression or diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder”
- 10. Updated Denominator Exclusions Step 1, Instructions from “Active depression diagnosis during the qualifying provider encounter OR Active bipolar disorder diagnosis during the qualifying encounter” to “Depression diagnosis before the qualifying provider encounter OR Bipolar disorder diagnosis before the qualifying provider encounter”
- 11. Removed the Numerator value sets:
 - a. “Additional evaluation for depression - adult”
 - b. “Suicide Risk Assessment”
- 12. Updated the Numerator value sets:
 - a. From “Referral for Depression Adult” to “Referral for Adult Depression”
 - b. From “Depression medications – adult” to “Adult Depression Medications”
 - c. From “Follow-up for depression – adult” to “Follow-up for Adult Depression”
- 13. Updated the Denominator Exceptions “Medical Reason(s)” description from “Patient is in an urgent or emergent situation where time is of the essence and to delay treatment would jeopardize the patient's health status OR Situations where the patient's cognitive capacity, functional capacity or motivation to improve may impact the accuracy of results of standardized depression assessment tools. For example: certain court appointed cases or cases of delirium” to “Documentation of medical reason for not screening patient for depression (e.g. cognitive, functional, or motivational limitations that may impact accuracy of

results; patient is in an urgent or emergent situation where time is of the essence and to delay treatment would jeopardize the patient's health status)”

14. Updated the Denominator Exceptions value sets:

- a. From “Patient Reason refused” to “Patient Declined”
- b. From “Medical or Other Reason not done” to “Medical Reason”

15. Updated the following sections:

- a. Rationale
- b. References
- c. Copyright

OCM Tech Spec Value Set Effective 01.01.2021 v1.10

Since the release of the “OCM Tech Spec Value Set Effective 07.01.2020 v1.9” document in January 2020, the following updates have been identified (All detailed, specific code changes associated with the summary below may be found in Appendix A):

1. General updates-

- a. “Data Element Names” Tab was updated to reflect the changes listed in the individual measure tabs

2. OCM-5 Tab

- a. Removed the following value sets:
 - Additional evaluation for depression – adult
 - Suicide Risk Assessment
- b. Renamed the following value sets:
 - “Depression medications – adult” to “Adult Depression Medications”
 - “Follow up for depression – adult” to “Follow up for Adult Depression”
 - “Medical or Other reason not done” to “Medical Reason”
 - “Patient Reason refused” to “Patient Declined”
 - “Referral for Depression Adult” to “Referral for Adult Depression”
- c. Updated the following value sets:
 - Adult Depression Medications
 - Medical Reason
 - Negative Depression Screening
 - Positive Depression Screening
 - Referral for Adult Depression

Appendix A

OCM Tech Spec Value Set Effective 01.01.2021 v1.10

Since the release of the “OCM Tech Spec Value Set Effective 07.01.2020 v1.9” document in January 2020, the following updates have been identified:

Updated the following:

1. OCM-5 Tab

- a. Updated value set “Depression Medications- Adult” to “Adult Depression Medications”
- b. Removed the following codes from “Adult Depression Medications” value set:
 - 857291, 857296, 857315
- c. Updated the value set “Follow up for depression – adult” to “Follow up for Adult Depression”
- d. Updated the value set “Medical or Other reason not done” to “Medical Reason”
- e. Added the following codes to the “Medical Reason” value set:
 - 183964008, 183966005, 266721009, 269191009, 31438003, 35688006, 410534003, 410536001, 416098002, 59037007, 62014003, 79899007
- f. Removed the following value sets:
 - Additional evaluation for depression - adult
 - Suicide Risk Assessment
- g. Updated the “OID” column for the “Negative Depression Screening” value set
- h. Updated the “OID” column for the “Positive Depression Screening” value set
- i. Updated the value set “Patient Reason refused” to “Patient Declined”
- j. Updated the value set “Referral for Depression Adult” to “Referral for Adult Depression”
- k. Removed the following codes from the “Referral for Adult Depression” value set:
 - 103696004, 14129001, 401174001, 429387009, 61801003