



QUALITY MEASURES: Putting the Puzzle Together

Understanding CMS Quality Measures is an important component in improving and/or maintaining your facility's 5-star rating. Understanding your facility's quality measure data can also allow you to identify opportunities to improve patient outcomes and prepare for survey.

OBJECTIVES:

- Understand Short Stay Quality Measures and the selection criteria for those included in these measures:
 1. Self-Report Moderate to Severe Pain
 2. Pressure Ulcers That Are New or Worsened
 3. Newly Received Antipsychotic Medication
 4. Made Improvement in Function
 5. Seasonal Influenza Vaccines
 6. Pneumococcal Vaccines

- Understand Long Stay Quality Measures and the selection criteria for those included in these measures:
 1. Self-Reported Moderate to Severe Pain
 2. High-Risk Pressure Ulcers
 3. Physically Restrained
 4. Falls
 5. Falls with Major Injury
 6. Received Antipsychotic Medication
 7. Antianxiety or Hypnotic Prevalence
 8. Behaviors Affecting Others
 9. Depression Symptoms
 10. UTI
 11. Catheter
 12. Low Risk Bowel or Bladder Incontinence
 13. Excessive Weight Loss
 14. Increased ADL Help
 15. Ability to Move Independently Worsened



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16. Seasonal Influenza Vaccines
 17. Pneumococcal Vaccines
- Review how to use the CASPER Report to identify triggered residents.

 - Discuss tools and ideas to improve your facility's Quality Measures:
 1. MDS Accuracy & Audits
 2. Root Cause Analysis
 3. Interventions
 4. Improvement Plans

 - Understand and discuss how to use this information to prepare for survey.
 - as a Director of Nursing, MDS, and Reimbursement specialist with a
 - focus in case mix optimization.

SPEAKER BIO:

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