

Measure 318 (NQF# 0101): Falls: Screening for Future Fall Risk

eMeasure Identifier: CMS139v3

Reporting Options: EHR

Quality Domain: Patient Safety

Description: Percentage of patients 65 years of age and older who were screened for future fall risk during the measurement period.

Instructions: This measure is to be reported a minimum of once per reporting period for patients who were screened for future fall risk at least once within the measurement period.

Definition:

Future fall risk: Patients are considered at risk for future falls if they have had 2 or more falls in the past year or any fall with injury in the past year.

Fall: A sudden, unintentional change in position causing an individual to land at a lower level, on an object, the floor, or the ground, other than as a consequence of sudden onset of paralysis, epileptic seizure, or overwhelming external force.

Initial Patient Population: Patients aged 65 years and older with a visit during the measurement period

Denominator: Equals initial patient population

Denominator exceptions: Documentation of medical reason(s) for not screening for fall risk (eg, patient is not ambulatory)