Measure 374: Closing the Referral Loop: Receipt of Specialist Report

eMeasure Identifier: CMS50v3

Reporting Options: EHR

Quality Domain: Communication and Care Coordination

Description: Percentage of patients with referrals, regardless of age, for which the referring provider receives a report from the provider to whom the patient was referred.

Instructions: This measure is to be reported on the number of patients with a referral, for which the referring provider received a report from the provider to whom the patient was referred.

The provider to whom the patient was referred should be the same provider that sends the report.

If there are multiple referrals for a patient during the measurement period, use the first referral.

Definition:

Referral: A request from one physician or other eligible provider to another practitioner for evaluation, treatment, or co-management of a patient’s condition. This term encompasses referral and consultation as defined by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Initial Patient Population: Number of patients, regardless of age, who were referred by one provider to another provider, and who had a visit during the measurement period.

Denominator: Equals Initial Patient Population