



Measure Abbreviation: TOC 02 (MIPS 426)*

**TOC 02 is built to the specification outlined by the Merit Based Incentive Program (MIPS) 426: Post-Anesthetic Transfer of Care Measure: Procedure Room to a Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU) measure. MIPS measure specifications are available for download at <https://qpp.cms.gov/resources/education>*

Description: Percentage of patients, regardless of age, who are under the care of an anesthesia practitioner and are admitted to a PACU in which a post-anesthetic formal transfer of care protocol or checklist which includes the key transfer of care elements is utilized.

NQS Domain: Communication and Care Coordination

Measure Type: Process

Scope: Measured on a per case basis

Measure Summary: The PACU transfer of care measure (TOC 02) will identify the percentage of patients that undergo a procedure under anesthesia and are transfer to the PACU that have documentation of PACU handoff complete in the electronic anesthesia record as a yes/no question. The percentage of handoffs will be calculated as number of handoffs documented as “yes” in the electronic anesthesia record where the denominator equals the number of direct transfer to PACU events.

The key handoff elements that must be included in the transfer of care protocol or checklist include:

- 1) Identification of patient
- 2) Identification of responsible practitioner (PACU nurse or advanced practitioner)
- 3) Discussion of pertinent medical history
- 4) Discussion of surgical/procedure course (procedure, reason for surgery, procedure performed)
- 5) Intraoperative anesthetic management and issue/concerns
- 6) Expectations/Plans for the early post-procedure period
- 7) Opportunity for questions and acknowledgement of understanding of report form the receiving PACU team

Identification of patient- In the instance the identity of the patient is unable to be confirmed, identification provided by the clinical faculty would suffice toward meeting performance of the measure.

Inclusions:

- All patients, regardless of age, who are cared for by an anesthesia practitioner AND directly transferred from the anesthetizing location to PACU or other non-ICU location after the procedure where a transfer of care occurs.
- Procedures (by CPT) included: 00100, 00102, 00103, 00104, 00120, 00124, 00126, 00140, 00142, 00144, 00145, 00147, 00148, 00160, 00162, 00164, 00170, 00172, 00174, 00176, 00190, 00192, 00210, 00211, 00212, 00214, 00215, 00216, 00218, 00220, 00222, 00300, 00320, 00322, 00326, 00350, 00352, 00400, 00402, 00404, 00406, 00410, 00450, 00454, 00470, 00472, 00474, 00500, 00520, 00522, 00524, 00528, 00529, 00530, 00532, 00534, 00537, 00539, 00540, 00541, 00542, 00546, 00548, 00550, 00560, 00566, 00600, 00604, 00620, 00625, 00626, 00630, 00632, 00635, 00640, 00670, 00700, 00702, 00730, 00731, 00732, 00750, 00752, 00754, 00756, 00770, 00790, 00792, 00794, 00796, 00797, 00800, 00802, 00811, 00812, 00813, 00820, 00830, 00832, 00834, 00836, 00840, 00842, 00844, 00846, 00848, 00851, 00860, 00862, 00864, 00865, 00866, 00868, 00870, 00872, 00873, 00880, 00882, 00902, 00904, 00906, 00908, 00910, 00912, 00914, 00916, 00918, 00920, 00921, 00922, 00924, 00926, 00928, 00930, 00932, 00934, 00936, 00938, 00940, 00942, 00944, 00948, 00950, 00952, 01112, 01120, 01130, 01140, 01150, 01160, 01170, 01173, 01200, 01202, 01210, 01212, 01214, 01215, 01220, 01230, 01232, 01234, 01250, 01260, 01270, 01272, 01274, 01320, 01340, 01360, 01380, 01382, 01390, 01392, 01400, 01402, 01404, 01420, 01430, 01432, 01440, 01442, 01444, 01462, 01464, 01470, 01472, 01474, 01480, 01482, 01484, 01486, 01490, 01500, 01502, 01520, 01522, 01610, 01620, 01622, 01630, 01634, 01636, 01638, 01650, 01652, 01654, 01656, 01670, 01680, 01710, 01712, 01714, 01716, 01730, 01732, 01740, 01742, 01744, 01756, 01758, 01760, 01770, 01772, 01780, 01782, 01810, 01820, 01829, 01830, 01832, 01840, 01842, 01844, 01850, 01852, 01860, 01922, 01924, 01925, 01926, 01930, 01931, 01932, 01933, 01935, 01936, 01951, 01952, 01958, 01960, 01961, 01962, 01963, 01965, 01966

Exclusions:

- Patients not transferred directly to a PACU or other non-ICU location (i.e. ICU transfers)
- Cardiac surgery (CPT: 00561, 00562, 00563, 00567, 00580, 01920)
- Obstetric Operative Procedures (CPT: 01968, 01969)
- Acute Pain Management (CPT: 01996)
- Radical clavicle or scapula surgery (CPT: 00452)
- Thoracolumbar sympathectomy (CPT: 00622)
- Lumbar chemonucleolysis (CPT: 00634)
- Diagnostic arteriography/venography (CPT: 01916)
- Burn debridement/grafting for 9% TBSA (CPT: 01953)
- Organ harvest (CPT: 01990)
- Anesthesia for diagnostic or therapeutic nerve blocks/injections (CPT: 01991, 01992)
- Other anesthesia procedure (CPT: 01999)
- Labor Epidurals (CPT: 01967)
- Obstetric Non-Operative Procedure Rooms (Rooms tagged as OB-GYN – Labor and Delivery)
- Obstetric Non-Operative Procedures with procedure text: “Labor Epidural”

Success: A transfer of care protocol or handoff tool/checklist that includes the key handoff elements is used.

Threshold: 90%.

Responsible Provider: Anesthesia provider in the room providing care at Anesthesia End.

Risk Adjustment (for outcome measures):

Not applicable.

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