

University of Texas Medical Branch Center for Sleep Disorders Policy: Process Measures	Effective Date: 4/1/18 Revised Date: 2/19/18 Campus: ADC
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Process Measure for OSA: Assessment of Sleepiness

Measure Description	
Description	<p>Proportion of patients aged 18 years and older diagnosed and treated for obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) that had sleepiness assessed annually</p> <p>95% Expected Threshold</p> <p><i>Performance = $\frac{\# \text{ of patients meeting numerator criteria}}{\# \text{ of patients meeting denominator criteria} - \# \text{ of patients with valid exclusions}}$.</i></p>
Measure Components	
Denominator Statement	20% of patients aged 18 years and older (minimally 20 patients/medical records) diagnosed and treated with an evidence-based therapy for obstructive sleep apnea (such as positive airway pressure, oral appliances, positional therapies, upper airway surgeries)
Exceptions	<p>Medical Reasons: Patients diagnosed with a terminal or advanced disease with an expected lifespan of less than six months; patients who underwent surgical treatment for OSA (i.e. bariatric, upper airway) and subsequently no longer meet the diagnostic criteria for OSA</p> <p>Patient Reasons: Patients who do not return for follow-up at least annually; Patients who decline or are unable to respond to assessment; Patients who decline therapy; patients who are unable to access or afford therapy</p> <p>System Reasons: Patients who decline because their insurance (payer) does not cover the expense</p>
Numerator Statement	Number of patients who had their sleepiness assessed annually

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Technical Specifications: Administrative/Claims Data	
Administrative claims data collection requires users to identify the eligible population (denominator) and numerator using codes recorded on claims or billing forms (electronic or paper). Users report a rate based on all patients in a given practice for whom data are available and who meet the eligible population/denominator criteria.	
Denominator (Eligible Population)	<p>Patients 18 years of age or older.</p> <p>Accompanied by One of the following diagnosis codes indicating obstructive sleep apnea: 327.23 Obstructive sleep apnea (adult) 780.53 Hypersomnia with sleep apnea, unspecified</p> <p>Accompanied by One of the following patient encounter codes: 99201, 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205 (office/other outpatient services—new patient) 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215 (office/other outpatient services—established patient) 99241, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245 (office consultations, non-Medicare only)</p> <p>Accompanied by Documentation that the patient was prescribed an evidence-based OSA treatment (such as positive airway pressure, oral appliances, positional therapies, upper airway surgeries).</p>
Exceptions	<p>At least one of the following is documented in the patient chart:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient does not return for follow-up at least annually • Patient declines or is unable to respond to assessment of sleepiness • Patients diagnosed with a terminal or advanced disease with an expected lifespan of less than 6 months • Patients who underwent surgical treatment for OSA (i.e. bariatric, upper airway) and subsequently no longer meet the diagnostic criteria for OSA • Patients who declined therapy • Patients unable to access/afford therapy or patients who decline because their insurance (payer) does not cover the expense

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Numerator	Chart review indicates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient's sleepiness is assessed• Sleepiness is assessed at least annually
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