

Peer Specialty: Orthopedic surgery
Quality of Care

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Condition/procedure	Measure	Compliance criteria	Measure type	Attribution method	Source
Ankle Ligament Repair	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Arthrodesis, Midfoot, Multiple Joints	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis

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Arthrodesis, Midfoot, Multiple Joints	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
Arthrodesis, Midfoot, Single Joint	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
Arthroscopic Removal of Foreign Body/Debridement, Shoulder	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis

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Arthroscopic Removal of Foreign Body/Debridement, Shoulder	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Arthroscopic Repair, Rotator Cuff or SLAP Shoulder	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis

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Back Pain	Patient(s) 18-64 years with uncomplicated low back pain that did not have imaging studies	Patient with uncomplicated low back pain did not have imaging studies	Low Value Care	Rendering	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance
	Patient(s) 65-75 years with uncomplicated low back pain that did not have imaging studies	Patient with uncomplicated low back pain did not have imaging studies	Low Value Care	Rendering	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance
Bunionectomy	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
Carpal Tunnel Release, Arthroscopic	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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Carpal Tunnel Release, Open	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Cervical Spine Fusion, Anterior Approach	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Cervical Spine Fusion, Posterior Approach	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis

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Cervical Spine Fusion, Posterior Approach	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Cervical Spine Fusion, Total Disc Replacement	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Concurrent Use of Opioids and Benzodiazepines	Patient(s) did not have concurrent use of prescription opioids and benzodiazepines	Patient did not have prescription opioid and benzodiazepine medications concurrently dispensed	Safety	Prescribing	Contact Partnership for Quality Measurement
Decompression, Herniated Disc, Lumbar Back, Full Laminectomy, Uncomplicated	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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Decompression, Herniated Disc, Lumbar Back, Full Laminectomy, Uncomplicated	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Decompression, Herniated Disc, Lumbar Back, Hemilaminectomy, Uncomplicated	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Decompression, Herniated Disc, Lumbar Back, with Added Complexity	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Fusion, Lumbar Back, Anterior/Lateral Extracavitary Approach	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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Fusion, Lumbar Back, Anterior/Lateral Extracavitary Approach	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Fusion, Lumbar Back, Posterior/Posterolateral Approach	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Fusion, Lumbar Back, Total Disc Replacement	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis

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Hip Replacement, Initial Procedure	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Hip Replacement, Revision	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis

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Knee Arthroscopy with Cruciate Ligament Repair, Anterior Cruciate Ligament	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Knee Arthroscopy with Cruciate Ligament Repair, Posterior Cruciate Ligament	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis

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Knee Arthroscopy with Cruciate Ligament Repair, Posterior Cruciate Ligament	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Knee Arthroscopy with Meniscectomy	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Knee Replacement Surgery, Partial Joint, Initial Procedure	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis

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Knee Replacement Surgery, Partial Joint, Initial Procedure	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Knee Replacement Surgery, Revision	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis

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Knee Replacement Surgery, Total Joint, Initial Procedure	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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MRI Lumbar Spine for Low Back Pain	Patient(s) with a lumbar spine MRI and low back pain diagnosis on the imaging claim that have claims-based evidence of antecedent conservative therapy	Patient with a lumbar spine MRI and low back pain diagnosis had antecedent conservative therapy	Low Value Care	Ordering	Contact Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Other Arthroscopic Procedures, Shoulder	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
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Other Knee Arthroscopy with Treatment, with Added Complexity	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
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	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Other Knee Arthroscopy with Treatment, without Added Complexity	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis

Condition/procedure	Measure	Compliance criteria	Measure type	Attribution method	Source
Other Knee Arthroscopy with Treatment, without Added Complexity	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Repair of Achilles Tendon	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis

Condition/procedure	Measure	Compliance criteria	Measure type	Attribution method	Source
Risk of Continued Opioid Use	Patient(s) age 18-64 years who were opioid-naive and were not prescribed access to opioid medication for 15 or more days during the first 30 days following first opioid treatment initiation	Patient did not have opioid medication for 15 or more days during the first 30 days following initial opioid treatment	Safety	Prescribing	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance
	Patient(s) age 65 years and older who were opioid-naive and were not prescribed access to opioid medication for 15 or more days during the first 30 days following first opioid treatment initiation	Patient did not have opioid medication for 15 or more days during the first 30 days following initial opioid treatment	Safety	Prescribing	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance
	Patient(s) age 18-64 years who were opioid-naive and were not prescribed access to opioid medication for 31 or more days during the first 62 days following first opioid treatment initiation	Patient did not have opioid medication for 31 or more days during the first 62 days following initial opioid treatment	Safety	Prescribing	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance
	Patient(s) age 65 years and older who were opioid-naive and were not prescribed access to opioid medication for 31 or more days during the first 62 days following first opioid treatment initiation	Patient did not have opioid medication for 31 or more days during the first 62 days following initial opioid treatment	Safety	Prescribing	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance
Rotator Cuff Repair	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis

Condition/procedure	Measure	Compliance criteria	Measure type	Attribution method	Source
Rotator Cuff Repair	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Therapeutic Arthroscopy of the Hip	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis

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Thoracic Spine Fusion	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Total Shoulder Replacement	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who receive physical therapy within 90 days after initial procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient had at least one physical therapy session (home or clinical) within 90 days after the initial procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure (Note: evaluation for single-side and bilateral procedures is performed separately)	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Use of Opioid Medications	Patient(s) 18 years or older without an average morphine milligram equivalent (MME) \geq 90mg/day during the treatment period	Patient did not have an average morphine equivalent dose \geq 90 mg/day	Safety	Prescribing	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance

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Use of Opioids from Multiple Providers	Patient(s) 18 years or older that did not fill opioid prescriptions from four or more different prescribers	Patient did not have opioid medications from four or more different prescribers dispensed	Safety	Prescribing	Contact National Committee for Quality Assurance
Vertebral Corpectomy, Anterior Approach	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Vertebral Corpectomy, Intraspinous Lesion	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis
Vertebral Corpectomy, Lateral/Transperitoneal Approach	Patient(s) without post-procedure complications within 30 days of the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a complication related to the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) without redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 180 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis

Condition/procedure	Measure	Compliance criteria	Measure type	Attribution method	Source
Vertebral Corpectomy, Lateral/Transperitoneal Approach	Patient(s) without redo procedure between 181 to 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have a redo procedure within 181 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Outcomes	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) who did not receive physical therapy between 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Patient did not have physical therapy within 270 and 365 days after the assessed procedure	Low Value Care	Rendering	Synopsis
	Patient(s) with appropriate pre-surgery advanced imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Patient had complex imaging (e.g., MRI) within 365 days prior to the assessed procedure	Guideline Concordance: Surgical Care	Rendering	Synopsis

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