Psychiatric Inpatient Readmissions – Medicaid (PCR-P)

Description

For members 18 years of age and older, the proportion of acute inpatient psychiatric stays during the measurement year that were followed by an acute psychiatric readmission within 30 days. Data are reported in the following categories:

1. Count of Index Hospital Stays (IHS) (denominator).
2. Count of 30-Day Readmissions (numerator).

Note: *Only members 18–64 years of age are reported.*

Definitions

IHS	Index hospital stay. An acute psychiatric inpatient stay with a discharge on or between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement year. Include stays that meet the inclusion criteria in the denominator section. A client may have multiple qualifying discharges in the measurement period.
Index Admission Date	The IHS admission date.
Index Discharge Date	The IHS discharge date. The index discharge date must occur on or between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement year.
Index Readmission Stay	An acute psychiatric inpatient stay with an admission date within 30 days of a previous Index Discharge Date.
Index Readmission Date	The admission date associated with the Index Readmission Stay.
Classification Period	365 days prior to and including an Index Discharge Date.

Eligible Population

Ages	Age 18-64 as of the Index Discharge Date
Continuous enrollment	365 days prior to the Index Discharge Date through 30 days after the Index Discharge Date.
Allowable gap	No more than one gap in enrollment of up one month during the 365 days prior to the Index Discharge Date and no gap during the 30 days following the Index Discharge date.
Anchor date	Index Discharge Date.
Event/ diagnosis	An acute inpatient discharge on or between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement year. The denominator for this measure is based on discharges, not members. Include all acute inpatient discharges for members who had one or more discharges on or between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement year.

Use the steps below to identify acute inpatient psychiatric stays.

Administrative Specification

Denominator   The eligible population.

Step 1   Identify all acute inpatient psychiatric stays with a discharge date on or between January 1 and December 1 of the measurement year.

Include only acute admissions to behavioral healthcare facilities, as identified in Table 1 below.

Step 2   **Acute-to–acute transfers:** Keep the original admission date as the Index Admission Date, but use the transfer's discharge date as the Index Discharge Date.

Step 3   Exclude hospital stays where the Index Admission Date is the same as the Index Discharge Date.

Step 4   Exclude stays with discharges for death from the observation set.

Step 5   Calculate continuous enrollment and determine whether the observation meets continuous enrollment criteria.

Table 1. Eligible Acute Inpatient Psychiatric Events

Event	Source
Community Psychiatric Hospital Admissions	ProviderOne
Evaluation & Treatment Center Admissions	ProviderOne, supplemented by DBHR Consumer Information System
Child Long-Term Inpatient Admissions	DBHR Consumer Information System
Child Study Treatment Center Admissions	DBHR Consumer Information System
Eastern and Western State Hospital Admissions	DBHR Consumer Information System

Numerator   At least one acute readmission for any diagnosis within 30 days of the Index Discharge Date from the facilities identified in Table 1.