

**Release Notes to the Specifications Manual for National Hospital Inpatient Quality Measures-  
Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services Core Measure Set v2.1a  
(2-2-2009)**

**Guidelines for Using Release Notes**

Release Notes 2.1 provide modifications to the *Specifications Manual for National Hospital Inpatient Quality Measures- Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services Core Measure Set*. The Release Notes are provided as a reference tool and are not intended to be used to program abstraction tools. Please refer to the *Specifications Manual for National Hospital Inpatient Quality Measures- Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services Core Measure Set* for the complete and current technical specifications and abstraction information.

The notes are organized to follow the order of the Table of Contents. Within each topic section, a row represents a change beginning with general changes followed by data elements in alphabetical order. The implementation date is **4-01-2009** unless otherwise specified. The column headings are described below:

- **Section** - used to identify which section(s) listed in the Table of Contents contain the change listed. The sections are Data Dictionary, Measurement Information, Missing and Invalid Data, etc.
- **Impacts** - used to identify which portion(s) of the Manual Section is impacted by the change listed. Examples are Alphabetical Data Dictionary, Measure Information Form (MIF) and Flowchart (Algorithm). The measures that the data element is collected for are identified.
- **Rationale** – provided to identify why the change is being made.
- **Description of Changes** - used to identify the section within the document where the change occurs, e.g., Definition, Data Collection Question, Allowable Values, and Denominator Statement - Data Elements.  
**NOTE:** Additions and Deletions are listed and additions are **yellow highlighted** in the corresponding document. Exceptions: The additions and changes to the Algorithms are not yellow highlighted, and the Hospital Initial Patient Population and Clinical Data XML File Layouts are **yellow highlighted** in the cells that have a change in them and the actual changes are **bolded**.
- **Page**- the beginning page number is from the 2.1 version of the manual

Data elements that cross multiple measures and contain the same changes will be consolidated into one row. If those changes do not apply to all of the measures listed in the Impacts column that is identified in the description of changes.

This document should allow the reader to identify the exact location of each change by reading from left to right across the columns. An **example** is: Changing a note for abstraction within ***Initial Blood Culture Collection Time, which is collected for PN-3a, PN-3b.***

**Example:**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Impacts</b>	<b>Rationale</b>	<b>Description of Changes</b>	<b>Page</b>
<i>Patient Referral to Next Level of Care Provider</i>				
Data Dictionary	Alphabetical Data Dictionary  HBIPS- 4, 5, 6, 7	To allow acute-care hospitals with multiple billing numbers for multiple psychiatric unit stays a method to include patients only during the final stay in the	<u>Allowable Values</u>  <b>Add</b> the following statement to allowable value 3: OR that the patient has not yet been discharged from the hospital.	1-59

		psychiatric units.		
<i>Patient Strengths</i>				
<i>Psychological Trauma History</i>				
<i>Substance Use</i>				
<i>Violence Risk to Others</i>				
<i>Violence Risk to Self</i>				
Data Dictionary	Alphabetic Data Dictionary  HBIPS- 1	To allow acute-care hospitals with multiple billing numbers for multiple psychiatric unit stays a method to include patients only during the first stay in the psychiatric units.	<u>Allowable Values</u>  <b>Add</b> the following statement to allowable value X: OR patient has subsequent admissions to the psychiatric unit during a single hospitalization.	1-62, 1-78, 1-84, 1-90, 1-92
<i>Psychiatric Inpatient Days-Medicare Only</i>				
<i>Psychiatric Inpatient Days-Non-Medicare Only</i>				
Data Dictionary	Alphabetic Data Dictionary  HBIPS-2, 3	To allow hospitals and vendors to derive the value of these data elements via an electronic data load.	<u>Allowable Value</u>  <b>Add</b> a programming note that states: The value of the <i>Psychiatric Inpatient Days-Medicare Only</i> and <i>Psychiatric Inpatient Days-Non-Medicare Only</i> may be determined electronically using a source such as an Electronic Record (EHR/EMR) or hospital billing system. Hospitals must document the specific data source (field and application) that is used and make this information available to their vendor. This information must be made available to The Joint Commission upon request.	1-74, 1-76
<i>Total Leave Days- Medicare Only</i>				
<i>Total Leave Days- Non-Medicare Only</i>				
Data Dictionary	Alphabetic Data Dictionary  HBIPS-2, 3	To allow acute-care hospitals with psychiatric units a method to track days patients spend off psychiatric units during a single hospitalization.	<u>Defintion</u>  <b>Replace</b> the word facility with psychiatric care setting in the definition.	1-86, 1-88

		To allow hospitals and vendors to derive the value of these data elements via an electronic data load.	<p><u>Allowable Value</u></p> <p><b>Add</b> a programming note that states: The value of the <i>Total Leave Days- Medicare Only</i> and <i>Total Leave Days- Non- Medicare Only</i> may be determined electronically using a source such as an Electronic Record (EHR/EMR) or hospital billing system. Hospitals must document the specific data source (field and application) that is used and make this information available to their vendor. This information must be made available to The Joint Commission upon request.</p>	1-86, 1-88
Algorithm-MIF	HBIPS-6	Algorithm flow formatted for consistency. No programming change.	<p><b>Delete</b> the Off-page connector “HBIPS-6D” that was connected to the Outcome Box Measure Category Assignment “D”.</p> <p><b>Add</b> a connector from the Outcome Box Measure Category Assignment “X” to the Off-page connector “HBIPS-6 I”.</p> <p><b>Add</b> a connector from the Outcome Box Measure Category Assignment “D” to the Off-page connector “HBIPS-6 I”.</p>	HBIPS-6-5  HBIPS-6-5  HBIPS-6-5
Algorithm-MIF	HBIPS-7	Algorithm flow formatted for consistency. No programming change.	<b>Delete</b> the Off-page connector “HBIPS-7D” that was connected to the Outcome Box Measure Category Assignment “D”.	HBIPS-7 6