

Specification Manual for National Hospital Quality Measures
Release Notes 1.04a **October 7, 2005**

| Manual Section | Impacts | Description of Changes | Page | Implementation Date |
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| Release Notes 1.04a provide modifications to the <i>Specifications Manual for National Hospital Quality Measures</i> released August 26, 2005 for implementation with January 1, 2006 discharges. The page numbers listed are from the 1.04 version of the manual. | | | | |
| Data Dictionary | Alphabetical Data Element List | For Element Name, <i>Antibiotic Allergy</i> , Collected For , add PN-6b** | 1-11 | 01-01-2006 Discharges |
| Data Dictionary | <i>Antibiotic Allergy</i> | Collected For , add PN-6b** | 1-41 | 01-01-2006 Discharges |
| Measures Information | PN Data Element List | For the data element, <i>Antibiotic Allergy</i> , Collected For , add PN-6b** | PN-3 | 01-01-2006 Discharges |
| Measures Information | PN Measure Information Form | PN-6, PN-6a, PN-6b Numerator Statement, Data Elements table , PN-6b column, add <i>Antibiotic Allergy</i> | PN-6, 6ab-2 | 01-01-2006 Discharges |
| Measures Information | HF Measure Population | For the <i>ICD-9-CM Principal or Other Procedure Codes</i> diamond in the HF Measure Population analytical flowchart, change the wording for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The arrow on the left to “All Invalid” • The arrow on the right to “At least one on Table 2.2” • The arrow going down to “Missing or None on Table 2.2” | HF-5 | 01-01-2006 Discharges |
| Measures Information | HF Analytic Flowcharts | HF-1, HF-2, HF-3 and HF-4: For the <i>ICD-9-CM Principal or Other Procedure Codes</i> diamond, change the wording for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The arrow on the left to “All Invalid” • The arrow on the right to “At least one on Table 2.2” • The arrow going down to “Missing or None on Table 2.2” | HF-1-4 HF-2-4 HF-3-5 HF-4-4 | 01-01-2006 Discharges |
| CMS National Hospital Quality Measure Data Transmission | XML File Layout | Modified to reflect the collection of <i>Antibiotic Allergy</i> for PN-6b | Page 32 Page 120 | 01-01-2006 Discharges |