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Dear Colleague:

The Joint Commission is excited to share information about the 2020 ORYX® Performance Measurement program. During 2019, all hospitals transitioned to the Direct Data Submission Platform (DDSP) for submission of electronic clinical quality measure (eCQM) data directly to The Joint Commission. In 2020, hospitals will use the Direct Data Submission Platform for submission of chart abstracted measures. Thus, in 2020, organizations have one place to submit both eCQM and chart abstracted data. The goal of the Direct Data Submission Platform is to ease the burden and expense of submission, and empower organizations with data for quality improvement.

Joint Commission 2020 ORYX® Requirements for Accreditation Purposes

Electronic Clinical Quality Measure (eCQMs) Reporting Requirements for Hospital Accreditation Program (HAP) with an ADC > 10

- Acute Care Hospitals with an ADC ≥ 10 report a minimum of four self-selected eCQMs applicable to the services provided and patient populations served by the hospital, for a minimum of one self-selected quarter.
 - 10 eCQMs are available for selection (eED-2, ePC-01, ePC-02, ePC-05, eSTK-2, eSTK-3, eSTK-5, eSTK-6, eVTE-1, eVTE-2)
 - All hospitals utilize the Direct Data Submission (DDS) Platform for eCQM data submission.

Changes to Chart-Abstracted Submission Requirements starting with CY 2020 for Hospital Accreditation Program (HAP)

- Starting with CY 2020 chart-abstracted data, The Joint Commission no longer has contracts with ORYX chart-based vendors.
 - ORYX vendors, based on contractual language, are required to submit hospital's 3rd and 4th quarter 2019 chart abstracted data in January and April 2020 using their current vendor data submission processes.
- **For CY 2020 chart-abstracted data and forward, all hospitals submitting data will be transitioned to and utilize the Joint Commission's DDS Platform.**
 - Hospitals collect and report monthly chart-abstracted aggregate data on a quarterly basis for calendar year (CY) 2020 using the Joint Commission's Direct Data Submission (DDS) Platform.
 - In early 2020, The Joint Commission will provide additional information concerning the transition to the DDS Platform.

Chart-Abstracted Measure Reporting Requirements for Acute Care Hospital Accreditation Program (HAP) with an ADC > 10

- Acute Care Hospitals with an ADC > 10 that provide Obstetrical Services report one required chart-abstracted measure, which is PC-01.
 - In addition, hospitals with at least 300 live births are also required to report on all chart-abstracted perinatal care measures; PC-02, PC-05 and PC-06.
 - Please note: Effective 1/1/2020, PC-03 and PC-04 have been retired from the Perinatal Care measures.

Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals (HAP) Accreditation Program Reporting Requirements

- Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals continue to report on the four required Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services (HBIPS) measures (HBIPS-1, HBIPS-2, HBIPS-3, and HBIPS-5).

Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs), Small Hospitals (HAP with ADC of 10 or fewer inpatients), and ORYX Designated Specialty Program Reporting Requirements

- Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs), Small Hospitals (ADC ≤ 10) and ORYX Designated Specialty Hospitals continue to report on a choice of three available measures (selected measures can be chart abstracted or eCQM).
 - These hospitals remain exempt from requirement to submit data to The Joint Commission. If data are not submitted, the organization is required to make data reports available for review by surveyors during on-site surveys.

Hospital Accreditation Programs (HAP) for which ORYX Performance Measure Reporting Requirements continue to be suspended

- Suspension of requirements continues for freestanding children's hospitals, long-term acute care hospitals, and inpatient rehabilitation facilities.

For more information:

- In early 2020, The Joint Commission will provide additional information concerning the transition of chart-based measure selection and submission to the DDS Platform.
- Visit the "Measurement" section of The Joint Commission's website, ORYX Performance Measurement Reporting at http://www.jointcommission.org/performance_measurement.aspx
- Please contact us at HCOORYX@jointcommission.org.

Thank for your continued partnership with The Joint Commission toward our shared goal of quality improvement through performance data measurement.

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