



Data Collection Requirement Deleted for Deemed-Status Ambulatory Surgical Centers

Effective July 1, 2019, The Joint Commission will delete Performance Improvement (PI) Standard PI.01.01.01, Element of Performance (EP) 21. This EP, applicable to **deemed-status ambulatory surgical centers** (ASCs), required ASCs to collect data on medical necessity and appropriateness of procedures. Originally developed to align with the US Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Conditions for Coverage (CFCs), the Joint Commission requirement is no longer needed because regulatory language has been revised.

This revision will be posted on the [Prepublication Standards](#) page of the Joint Commission's website. The revision will be reflected in the spring 2019 E-dition® update and the spring update to the *2019 Comprehensive Accreditation Manual for Ambulatory Care*.

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