

Prepublication Requirements

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Revisions to PI.01.01.01, EP 4

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Please note: Where applicable, this report shows current standards and EPs first, with deleted language struck-through. Then, the revised requirement follows in bold text, with new language underlined.

APPLICABLE TO THE OFFICE-BASED SURGERY ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

Effective Immediately

Performance Improvement (PI) Chapter

PI.01.01.01

The practice collects data to monitor its performance.

Element(s) of Performance for PI.01.01.01

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| 4. | The practice collects data on the following: All significant discrepancies between preoperative and postoperative diagnoses, including pathologic diagnoses. | <input type="checkbox"/> D |
| 4. | The practice collects data on the following: <u>Surgeries in which the postoperative diagnosis (clinical or pathological) was unexpected and could indicate that a clinically significant diagnostic error occurred.</u>
<u>Note: The practice's medical staff determine which unexpected postoperative diagnoses are clinically significant. Examples may include, but are not limited to, the following:</u>
<u>- A preoperative pathology or cytology report was interpreted as a malignancy, but no malignancy was found in the surgical specimen.</u>
<u>- A patient underwent surgery for acute appendicitis, but the appendix was normal on the postsurgical pathology exam.</u>
<u>- An operation was performed because of a presumed malignancy based on a radiology report, but no malignancy was found.</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> D |

Key: **D** indicates that documentation is required;

R indicates an identified risk area;