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APPLICABLE TO THE VENTRICULAR ASSIST DEVICE ADVANCED CERTIFICATION
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Performance Measurement (DSPM) Chapter

DSPM.3

The program collects measurement data to evaluate processes and outcomes. Note: Measurement data must be internally trended over time and may be compared to an external data source for comparative purposes.

Element(s) of Performance for DSPM.3

2. The program collects data related to processes and/or outcomes of care.

   Requirements Specific to Ventricular Assist Device Destination Therapy
   a. The program monitors at least the following data:
      - Survival rate (all cause mortality)
      - Functional capacity
      - Any result provided by the national registry
   b. The program evaluates VAD patients’ perceptions of their quality of life at the following intervals: pre-implant and post-implant, at 3 months, at 6 months, then every 6 months for 2 years, and then annually.
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c. The program utilizes an audited registry to monitor VAD data and measure outcomes.

Note: See the Glossary for the definition of audited registry.