

Surgical Care Improvement Project Process of Care Measures

Higher Percentages Are Better (some of the recommended care given to patients if appropriate*)

Hospital Process of Care Measures Tables	Average for all reporting hospitals in the U.S.	Average for all reporting hospitals in Iowa	MERCY MEDICAL CENTER-DES MOINES	Data Collected	
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 Outpatients having surgery who got an antibiotic at the right time - within one hour before surgery (higher numbers are better)	87%	90%	92% (150 of 163 patients)	7/1/2009	9/30/2009
 Outpatients having surgery who got the right kind of antibiotic (higher numbers are better)	93%	97%	99% (158 of 160 patients)	7/1/2009	9/30/2009
Surgery patients who were taking heart drugs called beta blockers before coming to the hospital, who were kept on the beta blockers during the period just before and after their surgery	87%	83%	97% (214 of 221 patients) ²	1/1/2009	9/30/2009
Surgery patients who were given an antibiotic at the right time (within one hour before surgery) to help prevent infection	92%	93%	95% (506 of 533 patients) ²	10/1/2008	9/30/2009
Surgery patients who were given the right kind of antibiotic to help prevent infection	95%	95%	99% (533 of 538 patients) ²	10/1/2008	9/30/2009
Surgery patients whose preventive antibiotics were stopped at the right time (within 24 hours after surgery)	90%	92%	95% (448 of 472 patients) ²	10/1/2008	9/30/2009
Heart surgery patients whose blood sugar (blood glucose) is kept under good control in the days right after surgery	91%	90%	84% (155 of 185 patients) ²	10/1/2008	9/30/2009
Surgery patients needing hair removed from the surgical area before surgery, who had hair removed using a safer method (electric clippers or hair removal cream - not a razor)	98%	99%	100% (803 of 803 patients) ²	10/1/2008	9/30/2009
Surgery patients whose doctors ordered treatments to prevent blood clots after certain types of surgeries	88%	86%	95% (199 of 209 patients) ²	10/1/2008	9/30/2009
Patients who got treatment at the right time (within 24 hours before or after their surgery) to help prevent blood clots after certain types of surgery	87%	84%	93% (194 of 209 patients) ²	10/1/2008	9/30/2009

² The hospital indicated that the data submitted for this measure were based on a sample of cases.