

Recapture and Verification Rates

As we mentioned in our [newsletter last month](#) documentation and coding plays an important role in the success of value-based care.

Accurate coding and documentation

 <p>Allows us to better assess and communicate the burden of disease.</p>	 <p>Helps us quantify clinical and financial risk.</p>
 <p>Contributes to large-scale population health research.</p>	 <p>Facilitates the allocation of resources to patients and communities who need it most.</p>

Trinsic monitors accurate coding and documentation in two ways:

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Reviewing the recapture rate

Tracking the verification rate

*applies to Epic practices only

Why should I care?

Sicker patients require more health care resources to help them stay healthy and on top of their conditions. To support our care teams, we need to be accurately coding and documenting our patients' burden of illness.

What is it?

The recapture rate tracks a patient's medical conditions (HCC codes) that a clinician has reassessed and coded for during a visit in the last 3 years. The recapture rate for the performance year will assess what percentage of those conditions were addressed and coded for in that particular year.

The verification rate tracks the number of diagnoses that are recaptured or *negatively attested to*, using the Best Practice Advisory (BPA) in EPIC during a performance year. In addition to using codes that have been dropped in the previous three years, the Coding and Documentation Improvement teams are scrubbing charts for missed coding opportunities and adding these to the BPA.

How do you do it well?

Best practice is to try and address as many chronic conditions as you have time for during each visit, and code for each of them. Each chronic condition code must be dropped every year for it to count towards the patient's overall burden of illness.

Click on the BPA every visit to see what still needs to be addressed. If you feel it is warranted, and can be addressed that day, it can be added to the visit diagnoses for that visit.

Tips

Use your problem list to help you – an accurate and up-to-date list of active medical problems makes remembering to assess and treat conditions easier. Remember to add new conditions to the problem list as they are diagnosed!

Use the BPA to add conditions diagnosed by specialists and found on imaging studies to the problem list to keep an accurate and up-to-date list of the patient's active medical problems.

Transforming care together.