



## **Transitions of Care-Medication Reconciliation Post Discharge Tip Sheet**

### **What is the CMS Star Rating Program?**

CMS uses a five-star quality rating system to measure the experiences Medicare beneficiaries have with their health plan and healthcare system – the Star Rating Program. Health plans are rated on a scale of 1 to 5 stars, with 5 being the highest. These ratings are then published on the Medicare Plan Finder at [medicare.gov](http://medicare.gov) to raise the quality of care for Medicare beneficiaries, strengthen beneficiary protections and help consumers compare health plans more easily.

### **Measure Description**

**Weight: 1**

The percent of plan members who had medication reconciliation performed on the date of discharge through 30 days after discharge.

### **Measure Source**

- Chart Review & Claims.
- Discharge must occur between 1/1 and 12/1 of measurement year.

### **Stars/Quality Specifications**

The percentage of plan members, 18 years of age or older, who had medication reconciliation performed on the date of discharge through 30 days after discharge.

### **Strategies for Success**

- Medication reconciliation can be performed by a clinical pharmacist, registered nurse, physician assistant or prescribing practitioner.
- If a member is being seen for post-op visit, member's medication list and reference to hospital stay must be included with the documentation of reconciliation.
- Hospital discharge summary must be filed in PCP or ongoing care provider's medical record within 30 days after discharge.

### **Coding and Documentation Tips**

- Members who are deceased or were in hospice care any time during the measurement year are excluded.
- Post-op follow-up must reference admission.
- Documentation must be in the member's primary care physician or ongoing care provider's medical record.
- Documentation that no medications were prescribed at the time of discharge is acceptable.
- Discharge medications reconciled with the current medication list in outpatient medical record (COA) (GER).
  - Codes: 1111F, 99483, 99495, 99496

If you have any questions, please contact your Provider Relations Specialist.