MEASURE SUMMARY
CHIPRA Core Set Candidate Measures

A. Control #: CC-5

B. Measure Name: Follow up after hospitalization for mental illness

C. Measure Definition – 2 rates reported

1) 7-day Follow-up
   a. Numerator: Children 6 years of age or older with an outpatient visit, intensive outpatient encounter, or partial hospitalization with a mental health practitioner within 7 days after discharge.
   b. Denominator: Children 6 years of age and older who were hospitalized for treatment of selected mental health disorders and discharged

2) 30-day Follow-up
   a. Numerator: Children 6 years of age or older with an outpatient visit, intensive outpatient encounter, or partial hospitalization with a mental health practitioner within 30 days after discharge.
   b. Denominator: Children 6 years of age and older who were hospitalized for treatment of selected mental health disorders and discharged

D. Measure Type: ✓ Process  ____ Outcome  ____ Structure  ____ Efficiency

E. Measure collected using:  ____ EMR  ____ CPOE  ____ Other HIT  ____ N/A  ✓ NR

VALIDITY

F. Evidence of measure validity submitted?  ✓ Yes  ____ No

G. Level of evidence supporting the measure (if submitted): (see Oxford University CEBM Levels of Evidence)

   Oxford CEBM = 2 (Outcomes research, cohort studies – increased compliance with follow-up associated with decreased re-admission in adults – No data presented for children; Data typically not reported separately for children, and may not be reliable/valid, small sample of age 6+).

H. USPSTF Grade if applicable:

FEASIBILITY

I. Measure Specifications Submitted?  ✓ Yes  ____ No  ____ Yes, but insufficient detail provided

J. Data Source:
   ✓ Admin  ____ MR  ____ Survey  ____ Other (specify):  ____ NR

K. Evidence of measure reliability submitted?  ✓ Yes  ____ No

L. List of entity types currently using measure:

   Medicaid MMCs (Health plans reporting to HEDIS: 55, of which 31% reported valid rates, representing 17 States.

IMPORTANCE

M. Addresses area of care mandated in legislation?
   x Yes (specify): chronic care amelioration and treatment  ____ No

N. Documented variation in performance (by race/ethnicity, language spoken, insurance type, etc)?
NR by age. For all ages combined, 42.5% of Medicaid health plans had followup within 7 days (bottom region: South Atlantic; top region NE). 615 had followup within 30 days (bottom region South Atlantic 39.1%, top region NE 80.7%). (Source: NCQA SOHC, 2008). Commercial rates were higher than Medicaid overall (55.6% and 74.0% for 7 and 30 days followup, respectively). Medicaid rates were lower than Medicare rates.

O. **Measure used/data are collected in racial/ethnic populations other than non-Hispanic white?**

_____ Yes   _____ No   x   NR

Note that data by age can be obtained from MSIS, according to MacTaggart et al., report to AHRQ, 2009.