WRITTEN STATEMENT

TO: AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY
FROM: PEDIATRIC MEASUREMENT CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (PMCoE)
SUBJECT: WRITTEN STATEMENT GUARANTEEING PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF PICU MEASURE "APPROPRIATENESS OF RED CELL TRANSFUSIONS"
DATE: 2/22/2016

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