

5.4.2a Conceptual Model Attachment
30 Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients Measure

Table 7 shows the 25 potential risk factors identified through the workgroup's review for the *30-Day Unplanned Readmissions for Cancer Patients* measure during initial measure development.

Table 7. Potential Risk Adjustors Initially Evaluated for This Measure
A. Risk Factors Removed from Consideration-Not Well-Defined in Claims Data (7)
Severity of Illness
Local vs. Regional vs. Distant Disease
High-Risk Medication Use
Psychological Services
Early Palliative Care/Hospice
History of Substance Abuse
Nutritional Status
B. Risk Factors Removed from Consideration-Not Available in Measure Testing Dataset (2)
Marital Status
Geographic Distance from Hospital
C. Risk Factors Removed from Consideration-Within Hospital's Control (1)
Weekday vs. Weekend Discharge
D. Risk Factors Removed from Consideration-Potential to Mask Disparities in Care (1)
Race
E. Risk Factors Evaluated for Fit in the Risk Adjustment Model (14)
Age
Gender
Dual-Eligible Status (<i>Proxy for Socioeconomic Status</i>)
Number of Comorbidities, as Defined within Elixhauser Comorbidity Index
Hematologic Cancer vs. Solid Tumor (<i>Non-Metastatic Only</i>)
Metastatic Disease
Surgical vs. Non-Surgical Admission
ICU vs. Non-ICU Admission
Length of Stay
Admission via the Emergency Room vs. Other Location
Discharged to Home vs. Other Location
Discharged to Hospice vs. Other Location

Prior Hospitalization
Bone Marrow Transplant

Conceptual Model Figure

