Cohort definitions for performance improvement hospital rankings

Comprehensive Academic Medical Centers

- Performs a minimum of:
  - 125 combined cardiothoracic and neurosurgery cases
  - 25 solid organ transplants
  - 600 trauma cases or 1,500 acute transfers in from another acute care facility

Large, Specialized Complex Care Medical Centers

- Performs a minimum of:
  - 75 combined cardiothoracic and neurosurgery cases and one of the following:
  - 25 solid organ transplants
  - 600 trauma cases
  - 1,500 acute transfers in from another acute facility

Complex Care Medical Centers

- Hospitals that do not meet the above criteria but perform between 25 and 75 combined cardiothoracic and neurosurgery cases in a year

Community Hospitals

- Not in the previously described categories and excluding Critical Access & Specialty Hospitals
- At least 450 inpatient surgical cases annually

Small Community Hospitals

- Not in the previous described categories and excluding Critical Access & Specialty Hospitals
- Less than 450 inpatient surgical cases annually

Critical Access Hospitals

- Meets the Medicare Conditions of Participation (CoP) listed in the Code of Federal Regulations at 42 CFR 485 subpart F and whose most distinguishing feature is no more than 25 inpatient beds and annual average length of stay of 96-hours.

Pediatric

- 250 annual high acuity medical neonates and greater than a 5% absolute higher transfer in rate than transfer out rate
- At least 50 annual neonates with major surgical procedures
- At least 5 pediatric ECMO cases per year
- At least 25 solid organ and bone marrow pediatric transplants per year

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