



### **AAO41: Tonsillectomy: Post-Tonsillectomy Hemorrhage**

**High Priority Status:** Yes / Outcome  
**CBE Number:** N/A

#### **Measure Description:**

Percentage of patients aged 1 year and older who underwent a tonsillectomy and had a post-tonsillectomy hemorrhage requiring reevaluation or surgical intervention within the 21-day postoperative period.

#### **Instructions:**

This measure is to be submitted **each time** a patient underwent a tonsillectomy during the performance period. This measure may be submitted by clinicians based on the services provided and the measure-specific denominator coding.

#### **Denominator:**

1. Patients aged 1-18 years who underwent a tonsillectomy
2. Patients aged 19 years and older who underwent a tonsillectomy
3. Patients aged 1-18 years old who underwent a tonsillectomy
4. Patients aged 19 years and older who underwent a tonsillectomy

#### **Denominator Exclusion:**

Patients with known bleeding and/or clotting disorders

#### **Denominator Exceptions:**

None

#### **Numerator:**

1. Patients who experienced post-tonsillectomy hemorrhage that required reevaluation or surgical intervention within 1 day post-procedure (primary hemorrhage)
2. Patients who experienced post-tonsillectomy hemorrhage that required reevaluation or surgical intervention within 1 day post-procedure (primary hemorrhage)
3. Patients who experienced post-tonsillectomy hemorrhage that required reevaluation or surgical intervention between 2 and 21 days post-procedure (secondary hemorrhage)
4. Patients who experienced post-tonsillectomy hemorrhage that required reevaluation or surgical intervention between 2 and 21 days post-procedure (secondary hemorrhage)

#### **Numerator Note:**

Day 0 is the day of surgery, Day 1 is the day after surgery

INVERSE MEASURE - A lower calculated performance rate for this measure indicates better clinical care or control. The "Performance Not Met" numerator option for this measure is the representation of the better clinical quality or control. Submitting that numerator option will produce a performance rate that trends closer to 0%, as quality increases. For inverse measures, a rate of 100% means all of the denominator eligible patients did not receive the appropriate care or were not in proper control.

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**Measure Classifications:**

Submission Pathway: Traditional MIPS

Measure Type: Outcome

High Priority Type: Outcome

Care Setting(s): Ambulatory Care: Ambulatory Care: Clinician Office/Clinic; Ambulatory; Ambulatory Surgical Center; Ambulatory Care: Hospital; Hospital Outpatient; Outpatient Services; Office Based Surgery Center

Includes Telehealth: No

Number of Performance Rates: 1

Inverse measure: Yes

Continuous measure: No

Proportional measure: Yes

Ratio measure: No

Risk Adjusted measure: No

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