CAT Without a Tail



Do you see a TIGER in your percentages when you expect a KITTEN? Are unexpected names on your Quality Measure (QM) Report for antipsychotic drug usage? Even the "appropriate" diagnosis of Schizophrenia will trigger the measure if not correctly reported.

Schizophrenia, Tourette's, and Huntington's are the three accepted diagnoses for the use of an antipsychotic. Report these on the **pre-printed** section of the Minimum Data Set (MDS) Resident Assessment by checking **I6000 for Schizophrenia**, I5350 for Tourette's Syndrome, and/or I5250 for Huntington's Disease. Then, in I8000/Additional active diagnoses, you may manually input "Schizophrenia with a tail." One example is "Schizophrenia with Psychosis."

The current QM reporting system does not acknowledge these diagnoses unless they are specifically checked in I6000, I5350, and I5250! Only entering the ICD code in I8000 will result in an error on your QM report.

5-star ratings draw from your QM Report. Make sure your MDS Report accurately supports the appropriate use of an antipsychotic. If incorrect coding has elevated your percentages, you may be able to focus more attention on other quality measures.

Action Steps:

- 1. Post this flyer for all staff to read!
- 2. Examine your CASPER Report for residents who have an "accepted" diagnosis.
- 3. Review accuracy of MDS reporting.
- 4. Correct coding errors on the MDS using the modification process.
- 5. "Check I6000 for Schizophrenia **before** manual input of a diagnosis "with a tail."
- 6. Attempt dose reductions of antipsychotics for all residents whenever possible.
- 7. If you have a question regarding diagnosis, contact your physician.

Don't miss these training opportunities:

- Go to http://primaris.org/webinars for the recent AANAC presentation by Judi Kulus "Making Data Work for You—CASPER Reports"
- See the CMS recently released YouTube video on Section I (the diagnosis section) at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sZLjJMntcPQ&feature=youtu.be

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