National Quality Forum

Serious Reportable Event Submission & Evaluation

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Is this submission about a currently endorsed SRE or a proposed new SRE? [ ] Currently Endorsed [ ] New Submission (If new submission, skip to section 3a)

2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event:
Patient death or serious disability associated with an electric shock or electrical cardioversion while being cared for in a health care facility

Suggested Change:
[ ] Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
[ ] Remove Endorsement
[ ] Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? [ ] Yes [ ] No If yes, please explain:

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?) [ ] Y [ ] N

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
[ ] Hospital
[ ] Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) / Nursing home
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- Outpatient or Office-based Surgery Center
- Ambulatory Practice / Physician Offices
- Other (Please specify):

Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

2b. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Provide any additional information that should be considered:

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Identify susceptibility to inaccuracies, errors, or unintended consequences of the event and describe how these potential problems could be audited.

(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures N/A

Reviewer Comments:

RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee:
Do you recommend the proposed change? □
Do you recommend the proposed change with modification? □ Specify the modification

Comments/Rationale:

3a. NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

The Event is a discrete, auditable, and clearly defined occurrence
Name of Proposed New Event:

Y □ N □ A □

3b. PREVENTABLE, SERIOUS, UNAMBIGUOUS

Brief Description of Event:

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Please check the appropriate consequence and describe it

- □ Death or □ risk of death
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Definitions:

Codes and descriptors (if used):

Instructions for counting events, calculating rates, and providing context for low frequency:

Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

3c. ADVERSE, SAFETY SYSTEM PROBLEM, IMPORTANT FOR ACCOUNTABILITY

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Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

### 3d. SETTINGS, DATA SOURCES

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
- Hospital
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Data Source Check the source(s) for the information on the SRE.

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Process(es) to Collect Data
Provide additional information about how the data regarding the event are collected. Address verifiability, reliability, and validity, if possible.

Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

### 3e. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

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(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures

Reviewer Comments:

RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement? Comments/Rationale:

Steering Committee Reviewer Name:

### 4. PRIORITY AREAS

(for NQF staff use) Select the most relevant priority area(s), quality domain(s), and consumer need(s).

National Priority Partners Priority Area ☐ patient and family engagement ☐ population health ☐ safety ☐ care coordination ☐ palliative and end of life care ☐ overuse

IOM Quality Domain ☐ effectiveness ☐ efficiency ☐ equity ☐ patient-centered ☐ safety ☐ timeliness

Consumer Care Need ☐ Getting Better ☐ Living With Illness ☐ Staying Healthy

(for NQF staff use) Notes on similar/related endorsed SREs and/or Safe Practices:
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**NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM**

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Staff Reviewer Name(s):

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Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail: the modifications would combine two Serious Reportable Events

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data): this would streamline the Serious Adverse Event list

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? Yes No

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?) Occurrence of these events is not likely related to the same system or process error. Reporting of

Y N
them together may lessen the ability to learn from occurrence of the events.

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
- Hospital
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Identify susceptibility to inaccuracies, errors, or unintended consequences of the event and describe how these potential problems could be audited. (for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures —— NQF 0263: Patient Burn

Reviewer Comments:

RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee:
Do you recommend the proposed change? ☐
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Comments/Rationale:

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Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

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| Y | N |

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Reviewer Comments:

### RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement? Comments/Rationale:

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2a. CURRENTLY ENDED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event: Patient death or serious disability associated with an electrical shock.

Suggested Change:
- X Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
- □ Remove Endorsement
- □ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? □ Yes □ No If yes, please explain:

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?)

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- X Hospital
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### Reviewer Comments:

**RECOMMENDATION**

Steering Committee:
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### RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?  
Comments / Rationale:

Y [ ] N [ ] A [ ]

Steering Committee Reviewer Name:

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2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event: Patient Death or Serious Disability Associated with Electric Shock or Elective Cardioversion

Suggested Change:
□ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
□ Remove Endorsement
x□ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail: Remove “elective cardioversion” and replace with “any unintended electric shock”

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data): Patients may die despite efforts for a therapeutic cardioversion. The current definition is ambiguous.

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? □ Yes x□ No  If yes, please explain: small number of events

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?)  Y□ N□

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
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Steering Committee:

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Comments/Rationale:

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Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

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Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

### 3e. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Provide any additional information that should be considered:

Susceptibility to Inaccuracies, Errors, or Unintended Consequences

*Identify susceptibility to inaccuracies, errors, or unintended consequences of the event and describe how these potential problems could be audited.*

(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures

Reviewer Comments:

### RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?

Comments/Rationale:

Steering Committee Reviewer Name:

### 4. PRIORITY AREAS

(for NQF staff use) Select the most relevant priority area(s), quality domain(s), and consumer need(s).

**National Priority Partners Priority Area**
- [ ] patient and family engagement
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**IOM Quality Domain**
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Date of Submission (MM/DD/YY): 06/16/2010
Is this submission about a currently endorsed SRE or a proposed new SRE? ☒ Currently Endorsed ☐ New Submission (If new submission, skip to section 3a)

2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event:
Any incident in which a line designated for oxygen or other gas to be delivered to a patient contains the wrong gas or is contaminated by toxic substances

Suggested Change:
☒ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
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☐ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):

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**Reviewer Comments:**

### RECOMMENDATION

**Steering Committee:**
Do you recommend the proposed change? ☐
Do you recommend the proposed change with modification? ☐ Specify the modification

**Comments/Rationale:**

### 3a. NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

The Event is a discrete, auditable, and clearly defined occurrence
Name of Proposed New Event:

**3b. PREVENTABLE, SERIOUS, UNAMBIGUOUS**

Brief Description of Event:

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Date of Submission (MM/DD/YY): 6/16/10
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Suggested Change:

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Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail: Recommend addition of “while being cared for in a healthcare facility.”

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data): Adding “while being cared for in a facility” provides consistency with the other categories.

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please explain:

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**Reviewer Comments:**

### RECOMMENDATION

**Steering Committee:**

Do you recommend the proposed change? ☐

Do you recommend the proposed change with modification? ☐ Specify the modification

**Comments/Rationale:**

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Reviewer Comments:

### RECOMMENDATION

**Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?**
Comments/Rationale:

[ ] Y [ ] N [ ] A

Steering Committee Reviewer Name:

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(for NQF staff use) Select the most relevant priority area(s), quality domain(s), and consumer need(s).

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2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event:
Patient death or serious disability associated with a burn incurred from any source while being cared for in a health care facility

Suggested Change:
☒ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
☐ Remove Endorsement
☐ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:

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Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
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(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures: NQF 0263: Patient Burn

**Reviewer Comments:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Steering Committee:

Do you recommend the proposed change? ☐

Do you recommend the proposed change with modification? ☑ Specify the modification

**Comments/Rationale:**

### 3a. NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

**The Event is a discrete, auditable, and clearly defined occurrence**

Name of Proposed New Event:

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Reviewer Comments:

#### RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?

Comments/Rationale:

□ Yes □ No □ Abstain

Steering Committee Reviewer Name:

### 4. PRIORITY AREAS

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**National Priority Partners Priority Area**

- □ patient and family engagement
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**Is this submission about a currently endorsed SRE or a proposed new SRE?** Currently Endorsed **New Submission** (If new submission, skip to section 3a)

### 2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

**Name of Event:** Patient death or serious disability associated with a burn incurred from any source while being cared for in a healthcare facility.

**Suggested Change:**  
- [X] Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below  
- [ ] Remove Endorsement  
- [ ] Modify SRE Specifications

**Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:**

**Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):**

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? **Yes** **No** If yes, please explain:

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?)

**Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)**  
- [X] Hospital  
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2b. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for CURRENTLY ENDORED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Provide any additional information that should be considered:

Susceptibility to Inaccuracies, Errors, or Unintended Consequences
Identify susceptibility to inaccuracies, errors, or unintended consequences of the event and describe how these potential problems could be audited.

(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures NQF 0263: Patient Burn

Reviewer Comments:

RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee:
Do you recommend the proposed change? ☐
Do you recommend the proposed change with modification? ☐ Specify the modification

Comments/Rationale:

3a. NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

The Event is a discrete, auditable, and clearly defined occurrence
Name of Proposed New Event: ☐ ☐

3b. PREVENTABLE, SERIOUS, UNAMBIGUOUS

Brief Description of Event:
The event is Preventable (Describes an event that could have been anticipated and prepared for, but that occurs because of an error or other system failure)

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The event is Serious (Describes an event that can result in death or loss of a body part, disability or loss of bodily function or risk thereof for harm)

Please check the appropriate consequence and describe it
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Definitions:
Codes and descriptors (if used):
Instructions for counting events, calculating rates, and providing context for low frequency:

Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

3c. ADVERSE, SAFETY SYSTEM PROBLEM, IMPORTANT FOR ACCOUNTABILITY

Describe the outcome that demonstrates that the event is adverse (Describes a negative consequence of care that results in unintended injury or illness)

Describe how the event is indicative of a problem in a healthcare facility’s safety systems:

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#### Process(es) to Collect Data

Provide additional information about how the data regarding the event are collected. Address verifiability, reliability, and validity, if possible.

Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

### 3e. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Provide any additional information that should be considered:

**Susceptibility to Inaccuracies, Errors, or Unintended Consequences**

*Identify susceptibility to inaccuracies, errors, or unintended consequences of the event and describe how these potential problems could be audited.*

**(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures**

Reviewer Comments:

#### RECOMMENDATION

*Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?*

**Comments/Rationale:**

*Steering Committee Reviewer Name:*

### 4. PRIORITY AREAS

**(for NQF staff use) Select the most relevant priority area(s), quality domain(s), and consumer need(s).**

**National Priority Partners Priority Area**

- □ patient and family engagement
- □ population health
- □ safety
- □ care coordination
- □ palliative and end of life care
- □ overuse

**IOM Quality Domain**

- □ effectiveness
- □ efficiency
- □ equity
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- □ safety
- □ timeliness

**Consumer Care Need**

- □ Getting Better
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- □ Staying Healthy

**(for NQF staff use) Notes on similar/related endorsed SREs and/or Safe Practices:**

*Steering Committee Reviewer Name:*
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### 2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event: Patient Death or Serious Disability Associated with a Burn

Suggested Change:  
☐ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below  
☐ Remove Endorsement  
☒ Modify SRE Specifications  

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail: Clarify with the DPH definition

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data): Definition of a burn needs additional clarity

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If yes, please explain: small number of events

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?) ☐ ☒

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)  
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2b. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

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(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures NQF 0263: Patient Burn

Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

3a. NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

The Event is a discrete, auditable, and clearly defined occurrence

Name of Proposed New Event:

3b. PREVENTABLE, SERIOUS, UNAMBIGUOUS

Brief Description of Event:

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Instructions for counting events, calculating rates, and providing context for low frequency:

Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

3c. ADVERSE, SAFETY SYSTEM PROBLEM, IMPORTANT FOR ACCOUNTABILITY

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Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

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(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures

Reviewer Comments:

#### RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?

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2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event:
Patient death or serious disability associated with a fall while being cared for in a health care facility

Suggested Change:
☒ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
☐ Remove Endorsement
☐ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:
Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):
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(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?)

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
☐ Hospital
☒ Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) / Nursing home
☒ Outpatient or Office-based Surgery Center
| **2b. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT** |
| Provide any additional information that should be considered: |
| Susceptibility to Inaccuracies, Errors, or Unintended Consequences |
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(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures: NQF 0035: Fall risk management in older adults: a. Discussing fall risk, b. Managing fall risk; NQF 0202: Falls with injury; NQF 0101: Falls: Screening for Fall Risk; NQF 0537: Multifactor Fall Risk Assessment Conducted in Patients 65 and Older; NQF 0266: Patient Fall; NQF 0141: Patient Fall Rate

| **Reviewer Comments/Rationale:** |
| **3a. NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT** |
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(for NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures

Reviewer Comments:

**RECOMMENDATION**

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?  
Comments/Rationale:  

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2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event: Patient death or serious disability associated with a fall while being cared for in a healthcare facility.

Suggested Change:
- ✗ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
- ☐ Remove Endorsement
- ☐ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail: Move to “Care Management” or remove category headings for all categories (i.e. care management, environmental, surgery, etc.)

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data): Including the falls category under “environmental” suggests that reportable falls are limited to falls that occur due to the environment. Alternative suggestion is to remove all of the category headings and have only a listing of the events.

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? ☐ Yes ✗ No If yes, please explain:

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?) ☐ Y ✗ N
Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
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Reviewer Comments/Rationale:

2b. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

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Reviewer Comments:

RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee:
Do you recommend the proposed change? □
Do you recommend the proposed change with modification? □ Specify the modification

Comments/Rationale:

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3c. ADVERSE, SAFETY SYSTEM PROBLEM, IMPORTANT FOR ACCOUNTABILITY

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Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement?
Comments/Rationale:

Steering Committee Reviewer Name:

### 4. PRIORITY AREAS

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2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event: Patient Death or serious disability associated with fall while being cared for in a healthcare facility.

Suggested Change:

□ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
□ Remove Endorsement
□ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail: Include exclusions or exclusionary language for pediatric patients when the fall is related to growth and development unless internal review determines that the fall was preventable and there is an identifiable breach in care.

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE: Pediatric patients are more susceptible to falls because of their developmental age, cognition and motor skill development. Preventing falls is difficult due to the unpredictability of falls in the pediatric population. In the hospital, we strongly emphasize families’ involvement in care delivery. This can have the consequence of children falling while in their families’ care. Children’s Hospital Boston believes falls and trauma should be applicable only in events where the fall or trauma was preventable and there is an identifiable breach in care.

□ Y □ N

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If modifications are made, **are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs?** □ Yes  □ No  If yes, please explain:

(for NQF staff use) **The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?)**

Yes

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)

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(for NQF staff use) **Identify related endorsed measures**

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Codes and descriptors (if used):
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### 3c. ADVERSE, SAFETY SYSTEM PROBLEM, IMPORTANT FOR ACCOUNTABILITY

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- [ ] Y
- [ ] N

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### RECOMMENDATION

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## 2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

**Name of Event:** Patient Death or Serious Disability Associated with a Fall

**Suggested Change:**
- [ ] Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
- [ ] Remove Endorsement
- [x] Modify SRE Specifications

**Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:** Consider moving this event within the Care Management category

**Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):**

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Name of Proposed New Event:

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### 2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event:  
Patient death or serious disability associated with the use of restraints or bedrails while being cared for in a health care facility

Suggested Change:  
☐ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below  
☐ Remove Endorsement  
☐ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:

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Reviewer Comments:

RECOMMENDATION

Steering Committee:
Do you recommend the proposed change? ☐
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Is this submission about a currently endorsed SRE or a proposed new SRE? ☒ Currently Endorsed ☐ New Submission (If new submission, skip to section 3a)

2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Name of Event: Patient death or serious disability associated with the use of restraints or bedrails while being cared for in a healthcare facility.

Suggested Change:
☒ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
☐ Remove Endorsement
☐ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail:

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):

If modifications are made, are the changes likely to result in a substantial change in the current count of SREs? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please explain:

(for NQF staff use) The proposed change is justified (Does the rationale justify the proposed change?) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)
☒ Hospital
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**Reviewer Comments/Rationale:**

### 2b. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Provide any additional information that should be considered:

Susceptibility to Inaccuracies, Errors, or Unintended Consequences  
*Identify susceptibility to inaccuracies, errors, or unintended consequences of the event and describe how these potential problems could be audited.*

(For NQF staff use) Identify related endorsed measures  
NQF 0640: HBIPS-2 Hours of physical restraint use; NQF 0203: Restraint prevalence (vest and limb only)

**Reviewer Comments:**

### RECOMMENDATION

**Steering Committee:**

- Do you recommend the proposed change? [ ]
- Do you recommend the proposed change with modification? [ ] Specify the modification

**Comments/Rationale:**

### 3a. NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

The Event is a discrete, auditable, and clearly defined occurrence  
Name of Proposed New Event:

**Reviewer Comments/Rationale:**

### 3b. PREVENTABLE, SERIOUS, UNAMBIGUOUS

**Brief Description of Event:**

- The event is Preventable *(Describes an event that could have been anticipated and prepared for, but that occurs because of an error or other system failure)*

Briefly summarize the Evidence Base that the event is preventable and provide citations:

- The event is Serious *(Describes an event that can result in death or loss of a body part, disability or loss of bodily function or risk thereof for harm)*

*Please check the appropriate consequence and describe it*

- Death or [ ] risk of death
- Loss of a body part or [ ] risk of loss Describe:
- Disability or [ ] risk of disability Describe:
- Loss of bodily function or [ ] risk of loss Describe:

- The event is Unambiguous *(Refers to an event that is clearly defined and easily identified)*

Definitions:

- Codes and descriptors (if used):
- Instructions for counting events, calculating rates, and providing context for low frequency:

**Reviewer Comments/Rationale:**

### 3c. ADVERSE, SAFETY SYSTEM PROBLEM, IMPORTANT FOR ACCOUNTABILITY

Describe the outcome that demonstrates that the event is adverse *(Describes a negative consequence of care that results in unintended injury or illness)*

Describe how the event is indicative of a problem in a healthcare facility’s safety systems:

Describe why the event is important for public credibility or accountability:
If the event is used in a public reporting initiative (disclosure of performance results to the public at large), provide name of initiative(s), locations, Web page URL(s):

**Reviewer Comments/Rationale:**

### 3d. SETTINGS, DATA SOURCES

**Applicable Care Settings (Mark all to which event is relevant)**
- [ ] Hospital
- [ ] Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) / Nursing home
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- [ ] Other (Please describe):

**Data Source** Check the source(s) for the information on the SRE.

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Identify the specific data source/data collection instrument (e.g. name of database, clinical registry, collection instrument, etc.); include Web page URL where available:

Data dictionary/code table attached □ OR at web page URL:

**Process(es) to Collect Data**

Provide additional information about how the data regarding the event are collected. Address verifiability, reliability, and validity, if possible.

**Reviewer Comments/Rationale:**

### 3e. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION for NEW SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT

Provide any additional information that should be considered:

**Susceptibility to Inaccuracies, Errors, or Unintended Consequences**

Identify susceptibility to inaccuracies, errors, or unintended consequences of the event and describe how these potential problems could be audited.

*(for NQF staff use)* Identify related endorsed measures

**Reviewer Comments:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement? □ Y □ N □ A

**Comments/Rationale:**

**Steering Committee Reviewer Name:**

### 4. PRIORITY AREAS

*(for NQF staff use)* Select the most relevant priority area(s), quality domain(s), and consumer need(s).

**National Priority Partners Priority Area**
- [ ] care coordination
- [ ] patient and family engagement
- [ ] population health
- [ ] safety
- [ ] palliative and end of life care
- [ ] overuse

**IOM Quality Domain**
- [ ] effectiveness
- [ ] efficiency
- [ ] equity
- [ ] patient-centered
- [ ] safety
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- [ ] Getting Better
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*(for NQF staff use)* Notes on similar/related endorsed SREs and/or Safe Practices:
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The SRE Steering Committee with NQF member and public input has defined Serious Reportable Events (SREs) as preventable, serious, and unambiguous adverse events. The Committee further notes that some types of SREs are universally preventable and should never occur while other types of SREs are largely preventable and over time it may be possible to reduce these to zero as knowledge and safe practices evolve. Both types of SREs should be publicly reported.

Submitter(s): Complete all the non-shaded areas of this form. Please fill out a separate form for each event you are submitting to NQF for consideration. This form may be used to submit comments/changes to existing SREs or submit new SREs.

Reviewers: Complete all the yellow and pink highlighted areas of the form. Provide the rationale for your ratings.

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2a. CURRENTLY ENDORSED SERIOUS REPORTABLE EVENT
Name of Event: Patient Death or Serious Disability Associated with the Use of Restraints

Suggested Change:
□ Specify the Applicable Care Setting(s) marked below
□ Remove Endorsement
x□ Modify SRE Specifications

Describe Suggested Modification(s) in specific detail: Consider moving this event within the Care Management category

Rationale for removing endorsement or modifying the SRE (include pertinent evidence, data):

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Steering Committee:

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Reviewer Comments:

**RECOMMENDATION**

Steering Committee: Do you recommend for endorsement? Comments/Rationale: Y □ N □ A □

Steering Committee Reviewer Name:

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