Arizona Care Beta-Blocker Treatment

PATIENT POPULATION: Patients 18 years of age or older during the measurement year who were hospitalized and discharged at some point from July 1 of the year prior to the measurement year through June 30th of the measurement year with a diagnosis of Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI).

NUMERATOR COMPLIANCE: Patients who received persistent beta-blocker treatment for six months after discharge from the AMI event. Compliance is measured by at least 135 days of covered with beta-blocker prescription during the six month post-discharge measurement interval.

» If a member has more than one episode of AMI during this measurement period, only the first discharge is assessed for compliance.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

Measure performance data is collected from Prescription Drug Event (PDE) data.

- » Document any intolerance or allergies to beta-blocker therapy
- For patients on beta-blockers prior to admission, those prescriptions are factored into adherence rates

Included Beta-Blockers:

| DESCRIPTION | PRESCRIPTION |
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| Noncardioselective | Carvedilol, Labetalol, Nadolol, Pindolol, |
| beta-blockers | Propranolol, Timolol, Sotalol |
| Cardioselective | Acebutolol, Atenolol, Betaxolol, |
| beta-blockers | Bisoprolol, Metroprolol, Nebivolol |
| Antihypertensive combinations | Atenolol-chlorthalidone, Bendroflumethia- zide-nadolol, Bisoprolol-hydrocholorothiazide, Hydrochlorothiazide-metoprolol, Hydrochlorothiazide-propranolol |

BEST PRACTICES

Outreach patients with prescriptions that have not been filled.

Educate patients on the risks of not taking their medication. Discuss any potential side effects and management tips.

Discuss any barriers to medication adherence. Advise on use of pill boxes and setting reminder alarms to help patients remember to take their medications.

- Utilize or distribute ACN <u>cost-saving resource</u> for medications to assist patients minimize cost, including: providing patients with 90-day prescriptions, prescribing generics, and using savings or assistance programs (i.e., GoodRx, Blink Health).
 - Our care coordination team can provide patients with individualized support. To refer a patient please contact us:

602-406-7226 or 855-218-3451 CareCoordination@azcarenetwork.org

