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Quality Nutrition Care Indicators Based on the Integrated Nutrition Care Pathway for Acute Care (INPAC)

The following seven process indicators are focused on patient safety and are considered mandatory for ensuring adequate nutrition care is provided. CMTF recommends that hospitals begin to collect data using these indicators and as INPAC

(http://www.nutritioncareincanada.ca/tools/algorithm-and-guidance-document) becomes more embedded in daily practice the optional indicators can be added. It is important to realize that the numbers will be low to start but as practice changes the numbers will improve.

Process and Quality of Care

- 1. # of patients screened for nutrition risk within 24 hours of admission # of patients admitted
- 2. # of patients assessed by dietitian within 48 hours of a positive screen # of patients who have a positive screen for nutrition risk
- 3. # of patients with SGA completed # of patients with a positive screen
- 4. # of patients who had food intake monitored as defined by nutrition services # of patients admitted
- 5. # of patients weighed at admission # of patients admitted
- 6. # of patients who had weight monitored throughout their hospital stay # of patients admitted for a week or more
- 7. # of patients who received a nutrition discharge plan# of patients who are identified as malnourished (based on SGA)

Optional indicators:

Quality of Care

of patients with a medical diagnosis of Malnutrition

of patients who are malnourished

of patients that consume MedPass (>80 %)

patients on MedPass

Outcomes

of patients who are malnourished who gain weight

of patients who are malnourished

patients with food intake ≥ 50 % on all days

patients who had intake monitored

Prevalence of nutritional risk

of patients at risk

of patients screened

Prevalence of malnutrition

of patients who are malnourished

of admitted patients

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