Core Measures (ORYX)

Core Measures are a national set of standardized performance measures that focus on clinical outcomes which allow for statistical comparisons among similar health care organizations. Each accredited hospital is required to participate in these measures. The Core Measures that we have selected are:

- **Heart Failure (HF)**
  - Measure Ejection Fraction
  - Use of Ace Inhibitors
  - Smoking cessation
  - Discharge instructions

- **Surgical Care Infection Prevention (SCIP)**
  - Give antibiotic within 60 min of incision
  - Stop prophylaxis antibiotic in 24 hours post-op
  - Appropriate hair removal
  - Appropriate catheter removal
  - Venous thromboembolism prophylaxis
  - Colorectal patients with normothermia

- **Acute MI (MI)**
  - Give aspirin admission and discharge
  - Use of Ace inhibitors
  - Smoking cessation
  - Use of statins for high cholesterol

- **Pneumonia (PN)**
  - Administer antibiotics within 6 Hours of admission
  - Measure O₂ Level
  - Obtain blood cultures
  - Smoking cessation education

- **Emergency Department (ED)**
  - Improvements in the ED Measure will reduce the time patients remain in the emergency department by improving access to treatment and increasing quality of care.
  - Fibrinolytic therapy received within 30 minutes of ED arrival
  - Door to diagnostic evaluation by a qualified medical professional
  - ED patient left without being seen (Numerator/Denominator one time per year for the previous year)
  - Head CT scan results for acute ischemic stroke or hemorrhagic stroke who received head CT scan interpretation within 45 minutes of arrival.
  - Report the median time to pain management for long bone fracture
  - Report the median time to ECG
  - Report the median time to transfer to Another Facility for Acute coronary Intervention
  - Report the median time from ED arrival to ED departure for discharged ED patients

- **Immunization (IMM)**
  - Screen all hospital inpatients for one of the following pneumococcal and influenza vaccination statuses:
    - Given influenza and pneumonia vaccinations during this admission
    - Patient vaccinated already in the past
    - Patient declined vaccination
• The patient has contraindications to the vaccine

• **Perinatal Care Measures (Start with 1/1/13 discharges)**
  - Monitor the number of patients with elective delivery
  - Monitor the cesarean section rates
  - Reduce the risks of respiratory distress syndrome, prenatal mortality, and other morbidities via the use of antenatal steroids
  - Monitor health care-associated bloodstream infections in newborns
  - Track newborns who are exclusive breast milk feeding

• **Hospital Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services (Start with 10/1/12 discharges)**
  - Admission Screening for Violence Risk, Substance Abuse, Psychological Trauma History and patient strengths
  - Hours of Physical Restraint Use
  - Hours of Seclusion Use
  - Patients Discharged on Multiple Antipsychotic Medications and appropriate justification
  - Post Discharge Continuing Care Plan Created and transmitted to next level of care provider upon discharge