



Performance Measure Review

ACP does not support NQF measure #0371: “Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis.” This measure represents an important clinical concept; however, the latest performance data from 2010 approaches a 90% performance rate and by now, this measure is likely topped out. Additionally, the specifications are flawed. The specifications should include exclusion criteria for patients who already receive full-dose anticoagulation therapy. Furthermore, it is unclear why exclusion criteria include patients with mental disorders. Lastly, developers should revise the exclusion criteria to include “hemorrhagic” stroke.