Identify and Document Factors Contributing to Readmission

Identifying potential gaps in hospital, transitional, and post-discharge care for heart failure contributing to potentially preventable readmission can improve patient care and enhance quality improvement efforts.

Classification Of Readmission

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Preventable Readmission: □ Yes □ No □ Uncertain

Interval Between Hospital Discharge and Readmission ______ Days

Transition of Care

Interval Between Hospital Discharge and First Outpatient Visit ______ Days or □ No Visit

Interval Between Hospital Discharge and First Home Visit ______ Days or □ No Visit

Interval Between Hospital Discharge and First Telephone Contact ______ Days or □ No Contact

Identified Contributing Causes for Rehospitalization (check all that apply)

□ Patient assessment breakdown¹
□ Patient treatment breakdown²
□ Patient and family caregiver breakdown³
□ Handoff communication breakdown⁴
□ Post-discharge from the hospital breakdown⁵
□ No breakdown identified

1 Examples of patient assessment breakdown include failure to assess for comorbid conditions and precipitating factors for decompensation of heart failure.
2 Examples of patient treatment breakdown include non-adherence in providing guideline recommended therapies or treating comorbid conditions.
3 Examples of patient and family caregiver breakdown include lack of skill building, recommended target behaviors, or accounting for the literacy or cognitive status of the patient.
4 Examples of handoff communications can include failure to provide a discharge letter or patient letter that can be shared with the patient’s primary care physician or specialists once discharged from the hospital or scheduling an early post-discharge follow up visit.
5 Examples of post-discharge from the hospital breakdown include failure to provide early follow up with the patient post discharge or check post discharge laboratories.