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INTRODUCTION

This Coverdell Data Elements Manual was written to provide guidance on the collection and submission of data elements (DEs) for the Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Program (PCNASP). The Program currently funds 13 recipients of the cooperative agreement (“recipients”) across the United States. Recipients are required to collect and report DEs as part of standardized data reporting for the Coverdell Program. DEs are used by the CDC and its recipients to describe, monitor, and assess progress and performance of the program.

The DEs in this manual (Edition 1) received approval in September 2021 from the Federal Office of Management and Budget. This manual pertains to the cooperative agreement DP21-2102. Data for the 163 DEs can be separated into two sections: *Pre-Hospital* and *In-Hospital*. There are 4 additional administrative DEs that will precede both sections and will be used to append the *Pre-Hospital* and *In-Hospital* data files together. These 4 administrative DEs, bring the total number of DEs to 167.

The DE manual includes information about technical specifications for the DE variables included in each of the categories, guidance for their submission, and conventions for processing the data. Specifications for each DE include variable name, prompt, format, source of data, denominator population, acceptable values, description, and use for data analysis. **Please note that the format provided is relevant for data submitted by recipients for a four-month reporting period, which corresponds to three submissions per year.** Variables are reported for each patient. The values for each patient establish a record for their hospital visit. The manual is organized as follows:

Pre-Hospital. This section includes 8 DE variables. It includes data about the *Pre-Hospital* aspect within the stroke continuum of care. It includes Emergency Medical System (EMS) arrival, EMS departure, patient age and gender, as well as the performance of a stroke screen and glucose level.

In-Hospital. This section contains 155 DE variables. It includes data about the *In-Hospital* aspect within the stroke continuum of care. It includes demographic information that includes age, gender, race, ethnicity, and insurance status. Additional information includes EMS information, data and time of hospital arrival, hospital admission status, comfort measures, medications taken prior to admission, medical history, admission data, telestroke, imaging, patient last known to be well, first discovery of stroke-like symptoms, NIH Stroke Scale score, stroke treatment, other complications, active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization, date of discharge from hospital, principal discharge ICD-10-CM diagnosis, clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission, discharge disposition, functional status at discharge, antihypertensive treatment at discharge, lipid treatment, atrial fibrillation, antithrombotics at discharge, smoking counseling, stroke education, and rehabilitation.

Administrative. This section contains 4 DE variables that are necessary for analytical utility, data quality, and program fidelity. These are State FIPS, unique patient identifier, residential zip code, and unique hospital identifier. These DEs assist with monitoring program fidelity, where the expectation is to serve participants disproportionately impacted by high prevalence of risk factors for stroke events, as well as stroke outcomes. **At this time, these DEs are formally being added through an OMB Change request.**

This manual is a living document that will be updated occasionally. When modifications are necessary, CDC will notify recipients that the updated manual is available on the Awards Management Platform (AMP).

PRE-HOSPITAL DATA ELEMENTS

Administrative Data

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| Item Pre-0A: STFIPS | State FIPS Code State FIPS Code |
| ADMINISTRATIVE <i>(requesting approval)</i> | |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 2 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 1 Valid Range: Specific Values |
| SOURCE | National FIPS Code ID List |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 05 Arkansas 12 Florida 13 Georgia 15 Hawaii 21 Kentucky 25 Massachusetts 26 Michigan 27 Minnesota 36 New York 37 North Carolina 39 Ohio 51 Virginia 55 Wisconsin |

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| Item Pre-0B: PATIENTID | Unique Participant ID Number Unique Participant ID Number |
| ADMINISTRATIVE <i>(requesting approval)</i> | |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 15 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 3 Valid Range: Unique Coded Values |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; State-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | State Assigns Unique Identifier up to 15 characters |

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| Item Pre-0C: ZIP | Residence Zip Code Zip Code of Residence |
| ADMINISTRATIVE <i>(requesting approval)</i> | |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 5 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 18 Valid Range: Valid Zip Code |
| SOURCE | National ZIP Code ID List |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid Zip Code |

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| Item Pre-0D: HOSPID | Unique Hospital ID Assigned by State A Hospital ID Number generated by State. State Keeps Key |
| ADMINISTRATIVE <i>(requesting approval)</i> | |
| FORMAT | Type: Alphanumeric Item Length: 5 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 23 Valid Range: Unique Coded Values |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; State-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Confidential Value Assigned by State |
| OTHER INFORMATION | Historically, Coverdell funded recipients have used a “unique hospital identifier”, which was a random 5-digit code generated by state health departments and the key was retained at the state level. For the purposes of this data manual, this practice will be continued. These randomized hospital identifiers will be submitted in the data file. |

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| Item Pre-1a: SCNARRD | Scene Arrival Date This variable indicates the scene arrival date |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 28 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item Pre-1b: SCNARRT | Scene Arrival Time This variable indicates the scene arrival time |
| FORMAT | Type: Time Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 36 Valid Range: Valid time |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid time in HH:MM format Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59) |

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| Item Pre-2a: SCNDPTD | Scene Departure Date This variable indicates the scene departure date |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 40 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item Pre-2b: SCNDPTT | Scene Departure Time This variable indicates the scene departure time |
| FORMAT | Type: Time Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 48 Valid Range: Valid time |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid time in HH:MM format Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59) |

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| Item Pre-3a: AGE | Age This variable indicates the patient's age |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 3 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 52 Valid Range: 000-125; values cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid age in 000 format with a leading 0 |

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| Item Pre-4a: GENDER | Gender This variable indicates the patient's gender |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 55 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 1 Male 2 Female 3 Unknown |

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| Item Pre-5a: STKSCN | Did EMS perform a pre-hospital stroke screen? This variable indicates whether EMS performed a pre-hospital stroke screen |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 56 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 1 Yes 2 No 3 Not Documented |

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| Item Pre-5b: EMSGLU | Glucose level This variable indicates the patient's glucose level |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 3 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 57 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid glucose value |

IN-HOSPITAL DATA ELEMENTS

Administrative Data

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| Item IN-0A: STFIPS | State FIPS Code State FIPS Code |
| ADMINISTRATIVE (request approval) | |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 2 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 1 Valid Range: Specific Values |
| SOURCE | National FIPS Code ID List |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 05 Arkansas 12 Florida 13 Georgia 15 Hawaii 21 Kentucky 25 Massachusetts 26 Michigan 27 Minnesota 36 New York 37 North Carolina 39 Ohio 51 Virginia 55 Wisconsin |

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| Item IN-0B: PATIENTID | Unique Participant ID Number Unique Participant ID Number |
| ADMINISTRATIVE (request approval) | |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 15 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 3 Valid Range: Unique Coded Values |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; State-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | State Assigns Unique Identifier up to 15 characters |

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| Item IN-0C: ZIP | Residence Zip Code Zip Code of Residence |
| ADMINISTRATIVE <i>(request approval)</i> | |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 5 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 18 Valid Range: Valid Zip Code |
| SOURCE | National ZIP Code ID List |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid Zip Code |

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| Item IN-0D: HOSPID | Unique Hospital ID Assigned by State A Hospital ID Number generated by State. State Keeps Key |
| ADMINISTRATIVE (request approval) | |
| FORMAT | Type: Alphanumeric Item Length: 5 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 23 Valid Range: Unique Coded Values |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; State-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Confidential Value Assigned by State |
| OTHER INFORMATION | Historically, Coverdell funded recipients have used a “unique hospital identifier”, which was a random 5-digit code generated by state health departments and the key was retained at the state level. For the purposes of this data manual, this practice will be continued. These randomized hospital identifiers will be submitted in the data file. |

Demographic Data

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| Item IN-1a: AGE | Age This variable indicates the patient's age |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 3 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 28 Valid Range: 000-125; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid age in 000 format with a leading 0 |

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| Item IN-1b: GENDER | Gender This variable indicates the patient's gender |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 31 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 1 Male 2 Female 3 Unknown |

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| Item IN-1c: RACEW | White This variable indicates the patient identifies White as a race (select all response options that apply) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 32 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1d: RACEAA | Black or African American This variable indicates the patient identifies Black or African American as a race (select all response options that apply) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 33 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1e: RACEAS | Asian This variable indicates the patient identifies Asian as a race (select all response options that apply) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 34 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1f: RACEHPI | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander This variable indicates the patient identifies Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander as a race (select all response options that apply) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 35 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1g: RACEAIAN | American Indian or Alaskan Native This variable indicates the patient identifies American Indian or Alaskan Native as a race (select all response options that apply) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 36 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1h: RACEUNK | Unknown or unable to determine This variable indicates the patient identifies Unknown or Unable to Determine as a race (select all response options that apply) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 37 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1i: HISP | Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity This variable indicates whether the participant is of Hispanic or Latino origin |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 38 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 Not Hispanic or Latino, or unknown 1 Hispanic or Latino |

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| Item IN-1j: HLTHNSM | Medicare/Medicare Advantage This variable indicates Medicare/Medicare Advantage as their health insurance |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 39 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1k: HLTHINSC | Medicaid This variable indicates Medicaid as their health insurance |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 40 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1I: HLTHINSP | Private/VA/Champus/Other This variable indicates Private/VA/Champus/Other as their health insurance |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 41 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1m: HLTHINSN | Self-Pay/No Insurance This variable indicates Self-Pay/No Insurance as their health insurance |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 42 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-1n: HLTHINND | Not Documented This variable indicates Not Documented as their health insurance |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 43 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

*Pre-Hospital/Emergency Medical System
(EMS) Data*

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| Item IN-2a: PLCOCCUR | <p>Where was the patient when stroke was detected or when symptoms were discovered? In the case of a patient transferred to your hospital where they were an inpatient, ED patient, or NH/long-term care resident, from where was the patient transferred?</p> <p>This variable indicates the location of the patient when the stroke was detected</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 44</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Not in a healthcare setting 2 Another acute care facility 3 Chronic health care facility 4 Stroke occurred while patient was an inpatient in your hospital 5 Outpatient healthcare setting 9 Not documented or cannot be determined |

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| Item IN-2b: ARRMODE | How did the patient get to your hospital for treatment of their stroke? This variable indicates the means of transportation to get to the hospital for treatment of their stroke |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 2 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 45 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 EMS from home or scene 2 Private transportation/taxi/other 3 Transfer from another hospital 9 Not documented or unknown 10 Mobile Stroke Unit |

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| Item IN-2c: EMSNOTE | Advance notification by EMS This variable indicates whether there was an advance notification by EMS |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 47 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes 9 Not applicable |

Date and Time of Arrival at your Hospital

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| Item IN-3a: EDTRIAGD | Date of arrival at your hospital This variable indicates the date of arrival at the hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 48 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYYYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item IN-3b: EDTRIAGT | Time of arrival at your hospital This variable indicates the time of arrival at the hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Time Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 56 Valid Range: Valid time |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid time in HH:MM format Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59) |

Patient Not Admitted

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| Item IN-4a: NOTADMIT | Was the patient not admitted? This variable indicates whether the patient was not admitted to the hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 60 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No, patient admitted as inpatient 1 Not admitted |

Comfort Measures

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| Item IN-5a: CMODOC | <p>When is the earliest time that the physician, advanced practice nurse, or PA documented that patient was on comfort measures only?</p> <p>This variable indicates the earliest time the physician, advanced practice nurse, or PA documented that patient was on comfort measures only</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 61</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Day of arrival or first day after arrival 2 2nd day after arrival or later 3 Timing unclear 4 Not documented/Unable to determine |

*Medications Currently Taking Prior to
Admission*

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| Item IN-6a: LIPADMYN | Statin or other cholesterol reducer medication This variable indicates whether a statin or other cholesterol reducer medication is currently being taken prior to admission |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 62 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

Documented Past Medical History

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| Item IN-7a: MEDHISDM | Is there a history of Diabetes Mellitus (DM)? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of Diabetes Mellitus (DM) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 63 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7b: MEDHISST | Is there a history of prior Stroke? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of prior Stroke |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 64 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7c: MEDHISTI | Is there a history of TIA/Transient ischemic attack/VBI? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of TIA/Transient ischemic attack/VBI |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 65 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7d: MEDHISCS | Is there a history of carotid stenosis? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of carotid stenosis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 66 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7e: MEDHISMI | <p>Is there a history of myocardial infarction (MI) or coronary artery disease (CAD)? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of myocardial infarction (MI) or coronary artery disease (CAD)</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 67 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented 1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-7f: MEDHISPA | <p>Is there a history of peripheral arterial disease (PAD)? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of peripheral arterial disease (PAD)</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 68 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented 1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-7g: MEDHISVP | Does the patient have a valve prosthesis (heart valve)? This variable indicates whether the patient has a valve prosthesis (heart valve) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 69 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7h: MEDHISHF | Is there a history of Heart Failure (CHF)? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of Heart Failure (CHF) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 70 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7i: MEDHISS | Does the patient have a history of sickle cell disease (sickle cell anemia)? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of sickle cell disease (sickle cell anemia) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 71 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7j: MEDHISPG | <p>Did this event occur during pregnancy or within 6 weeks after a delivery or termination of pregnancy?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether this event occurred during pregnancy or within 6 weeks after a delivery or termination of pregnancy</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 72</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-7k: MEDHISAF | Is there documentation in the patient's medical history of atrial fibrillation/flutter? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of atrial fibrillation/flutter |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 73 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7I: MEDHISSM | <p>Is there documented past medical history of Smoking (at least one cigarette during the year prior to hospital arrival)?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient has a history of smoking within the past year</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 74</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-7m: MEDHISEC | <p>Is there history of E-Cigarette Use (Vaping)? (Use of electronic nicotine delivery system or electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes))</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient has medical history of e-Cigarette Use (Vaping) (Use of electronic nicotine delivery system or electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes))</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 75</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-7n: MEDHISDL | Is there a medical history of Dyslipidemia? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of Dyslipidemia |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 76 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7o: MEDHISHT | Is there a documented past medical history of hypertension? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of hypertension |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 77 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7p: MEDHISDT | Is there a history of dementia? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of dementia |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 78 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7q: MH_EID | Is there a history of Emerging Infectious Disease? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of Emerging Infectious Disease |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 79 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7r: MH_COV1 | Is there a history of SARS-COV-1? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of SARS-COV-1 |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 80 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7s: MH_COV2 | Is there a history of SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19)? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 81 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7t: MH_MERS | Is there a history of MERS? This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of MERS |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 82 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-7u: MH_OTH | <p>Is there a history of other infectious respiratory pathogen?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient has a medical history of other infectious respiratory pathogen</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 83</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

Hospital Admission Data

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| Item IN-8a: HOSPADD | Date of hospital admission This variable indicates the date of hospital admission |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 84 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYYYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item IN-8b: AMBSTATA | Was patient ambulatory prior to the current stroke/TIA? This variable indicates whether the patient was ambulatory prior to the current stroke/TIA |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 92 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Able to ambulate independently with or without device 2 Yes, but with assistance from another person 3 Unable to ambulate 9 Not documented |

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| Item IN-8c: SXRESOLV | Did symptoms completely resolve prior to presentation? This variable indicates whether the symptoms completely resolve prior to presentation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 93 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes 9 Not documented |

Telestroke

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| Item IN-9a: TELEYN | Was telestroke consultation performed? This variable indicates whether a telestroke consultation was performed |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 94 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Yes, the patient received telestroke consultation from my hospital staff when the patient was located at another hospital 2 Yes, the patient received telestroke consultation from someone other than my staff when the patient was located at another hospital 3 Yes, the patient received telestroke consultation from a remotely located expert when the patient was located at my hospital 4 No telestroke consult performed 9 Not documented |

Imaging

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| Item IN-10a: IMAGEYN | <p>Was brain imaging performed at your hospital after arrival as part of the initial evaluation for this episode of care or this event?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether a brain imaging was performed at the hospital after arrival as part of the initial evaluation for this episode of care or this event</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 95</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> <p>9 Not collected</p> |

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| Item IN-10b: IMAGEYCT | If brain imaging performed, was it a CT scan? This variable indicates whether the brain imaging performed was a CT scan |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 96 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with a brain imaging performed at the hospital after arrival as part of the initial evaluation for this episode of care |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-10c: IMAGEYMR | If brain imaging performed, was it an MRI? This variable indicates whether the brain imaging performed was an MRI |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 97 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with a brain imaging performed at the hospital after arrival as part of the initial evaluation for this episode of care |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-10d: IMAGED | Date brain imaging first initiated at your hospital This variable indicates the date brain imaging first initiated at the hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 98 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with a brain imaging performed at the hospital after arrival as part of the initial evaluation for this episode of care |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYYYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item IN-10e: IMAGET | Time brain imaging first initiated at your hospital This variable indicates the time brain imaging first initiated at the hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Time Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 106 Valid Range: Valid time |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with a brain imaging performed at the hospital after arrival as part of the initial evaluation for this episode of care |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid time in HH:MM format Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59) |

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| Item IN-10f: IMAGERES | What were the initial brain imaging findings? This variable indicates the initial brain imaging findings |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 110 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with a brain imaging performed at the hospital after arrival as part of the initial evaluation for this episode of care |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No acute hemorrhage 1 Acute hemorrhage 9 Not documented or not available |

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| Item IN-11a: IMAGEVAS | <p>Was acute vascular or perfusion imaging (e.g., CTA, MRA, DSA) performed at your hospital?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether acute vascular or perfusion imaging (e.g., CTA, MRA, DSA) was performed at the hospital</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 111</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

*Date and Time the Patient was Last Known to
be Well Prior to the Beginning of the Current
Stroke or Stroke-like Symptoms*

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| Item IN-12a: LKWD | <p>What date was the patient last known to be well, i.e., in their usual state of health or at their baseline, prior to the beginning of the current stroke or stroke-like symptoms? (recording within 15 minutes of exact time is acceptable)</p> <p>This variable indicates the date the patient was last known to be well</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Date</p> <p>Item Length: 8</p> <p>Leading Zeros: Yes</p> <p>Beginning Position: 112</p> <p>Valid Range: Valid date</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>Valid date in MMDDYYYY format</p> <p>MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX)</p> |

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| Item IN-12b: LKWT | <p>What time was the patient last known to be well, i.e., in their usual state of health or at their baseline, prior to the beginning of the current stroke or stroke-like symptoms? (recording within 15 minutes of exact time is acceptable)</p> <p>This variable indicates the time the patient was last known to be well</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Time</p> <p>Item Length: 4</p> <p>Leading Zeros: Yes</p> <p>Beginning Position: 120</p> <p>Valid Range: Valid time</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>Valid time in HH:MM format</p> <p>Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59)</p> |

*Date and Time the Patient First Discovered to
Have the Current Stroke or Stroke-like
Symptoms*

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| Item IN-13a: DISCD | <p>What date was the patient first discovered to have the current stroke or stroke-like symptoms? (recording within 15 minutes of exact time of discovery is acceptable)</p> <p>This variable indicates the date the patient first discovered to have the current stroke or stroke-like symptoms</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Date</p> <p>Item Length: 8</p> <p>Leading Zeros: Yes</p> <p>Beginning Position: 124</p> <p>Valid Range: Valid date</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>Valid date in MMDDYYYY format</p> <p>MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX)</p> |

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| Item IN-13b: DISCT | <p>What time was the patient first discovered to have the current stroke or stroke-like symptoms? (recording within 15 minutes of exact time of discovery is acceptable)</p> <p>This variable indicates the time the patient first discovered to have the current stroke or stroke-like symptoms</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Time</p> <p>Item Length: 4</p> <p>Leading Zeros: Yes</p> <p>Beginning Position: 132</p> <p>Valid Range: Valid time</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>Valid time in HH:MM format</p> <p>Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59)</p> |

NIH Stroke Scale Score

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| Item IN-14a: NIHSSYN | Was NIH Stroke Scale score performed as part of the initial evaluation of the patient? This variable indicates whether a NIH Stroke Scale score was performed as part of the initial evaluation of the patient |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 136 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-14b: NIHSTRKS | <p>If performed, what is the first NIH Stroke Scale total score recorded by hospital personnel?</p> <p>This variable indicates the first NIH Stroke Scale total score recorded by hospital personnel</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 2</p> <p>Leading Zeros: Yes</p> <p>Beginning Position: 137</p> <p>Valid Range: 00-42; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with a NIH Stroke Scale performed as part of the initial evaluation of the patient |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid NIH Stroke Scale Score |

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| Item IN-15a: TRMIVM | <p>Was IV thrombolytic initiated for this patient at this hospital?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the IV thrombolytic therapy was initiated for this patient at this hospital</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 139</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-15b: TRMIVMD | What date was IV thrombolytic initiated for this patient at this hospital? This variable indicates the date the IV thrombolytic therapy was initiated for this patient at this hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 140 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV thrombolytic therapy initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYYYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item IN-15c: TRMIVMT | What time was IV thrombolytic initiated for this patient at this hospital? This variable indicates the time the IV thrombolytic therapy was initiated for this patient at this hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Time Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 148 Valid Range: Valid time |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV thrombolytic therapy initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid time in HH:MM format Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59) |

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| Item IN-15d: TRMALT | Thrombolytic used: Alteplase (Class 1 evidence) This variable indicates whether the thrombolytic Alteplase (Class 1 evidence) therapy was initiated for this patient at this hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 152 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV thrombolytic therapy initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-15e: TRMALDS | Alteplase, total dose (mg) This variable indicates the total Alteplase dose in milligrams (mg) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 153 Valid Range: Valid dosage |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with thrombolytic alteplase (Class 1 evidence) initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | --.- (up to 1 decimal place) |

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| Item IN-15f: TRMTNK | Thrombolytic used: Tenecteplase (Class 2b evidence) This variable indicates whether the thrombolytic Tenecteplase (Class 2b evidence) therapy was initiated for this patient at this hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 157 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV thrombolytic therapy initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-15g: TRMTNDS | Tenecteplase, total dose (mg) This variable indicates the total Tenecteplase dose in milligrams (mg) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 158 Valid Range: Valid dosage |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with thrombolytic tenecteplase (Class 2b evidence) initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | --.- (up to 1 decimal place) |

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| Item IN-15h: TRMTNRSN | Reason for selecting tenecteplase instead of alteplase This variable indicates the reason for selecting tenecteplase instead of alteplase |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 162 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with thrombolytic tenecteplase (Class 2b evidence) initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Large Vessel Occlusion (LVO) with potential thrombectomy 2 Mild stroke 3 Other |

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| Item IN-15i: TRMEXTND | If IV thrombolytic administered beyond 4.5-hour, was imaging used to identify eligibility? This variable indicates whether imaging was used to identify eligibility for patients to whom IV thrombolytic was administered beyond 4.5-hour |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 163 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV thrombolytic therapy initiated at this hospital beyond 4.5 hours |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Yes, Diffusion-FLAIR mismatch 2 Yes, Core-Perfusion mismatch 3 None 4 Other |

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| Item IN-15j: TRMIVT | IV thrombolytic at an outside hospital or EMS / mobile stroke unit? This variable indicates whether IV thrombolytic was initiated at an outside hospital or EMS/mobile stroke unit |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 164 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV thrombolytic therapy initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-15k: TRMIVTAT | If yes, select thrombolytic administered at outside hospital or Mobile Stroke Unit This variable indicates the thrombolytic treatment administered to patients to whom the treatment was administered outside the hospital or Mobile Stroke Unit |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 165 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV thrombolytic therapy initiated at outside hospital or Mobile Stroke Unit |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 1 Alteplase 2 Tenecteplase |

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| Item IN-15I: CATHTX | Was catheter-based treatment administered at this hospital? This variable indicates whether a catheter-based treatment was administered at this hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 166 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-15m: CATHTXD | Date of IA alteplase or MER initiation at this hospital This variable indicates the date of IA alteplase or MER initiation at this hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 167 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with catheter-based treatment administered at the hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYYYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item IN-15n: CATHTXT | Time of IA alteplase or MER initiation at this hospital This variable indicates the time of IA alteplase or MER initiation at this hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Time Item Length: 4 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 175 Valid Range: Valid time |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with catheter-based treatment administered at the hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid time in HH:MM format Time must be recorded in military time. HH=Hour (00-23) and MM=Minutes (00-59) |

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| Item IN-16a: THRMCOMP | Complication of reperfusion therapy (Thrombolytic or MER) This variable indicates the complications of reperfusion therapy (Thrombolytic or MER) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 179 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with thrombolytic or MER therapy initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 None 1 Symptomatic ICH within 36 hours (< 36 hours) of tPA 2 Life threatening, serious systemic hemorrhage within 36 hours of tPA 3 Other serious complications 9 Unknown/Unable to Determine |

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| Item IN-16b: THRMCMPT | Were there bleeding complications in a patient transferred after IV tPA (alteplase)? This variable indicates whether there were bleeding complications in a patient transferred after IV tPA (alteplase) |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 180 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with IV tPA (alteplase) initiated at this hospital |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Yes and detected prior to transfer 2 Yes but detected after transfer 3 Unable to determine 9 Not applicable |

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| Item IN-17a: TPANC | <p>Documented exclusions or relative exclusions (contraindications or warnings) were recorded for not initiating IV thrombolytic in the 0-3 hour treatment window</p> <p>This variable indicates whether exclusions or relative exclusions (contraindications or warnings) were documented for not initiating IV thrombolytic in the 0-3 hour treatment window</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 181</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-18a: TPA4NC | <p>Documented exclusions or relative exclusions (contraindications or warnings) were recorded for not initiating IV thrombolytic in the 3-4.5 hour treatment window</p> <p>This variable indicates whether exclusions or relative exclusions (contraindications or warnings) were documented for not initiating IV thrombolytic in the 3-4.5 hour treatment window</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 182</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-19a: TPADELAY | <p>If IV thrombolytic was initiated greater than 60 minutes after hospital arrival, were eligibility or medical reasons documented as the cause for delay?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there were eligibility or medical reasons documented as the cause for delay for patients to whom IV thrombolytic was initiated greater than 60 minutes after hospital arrival</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 183</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients to whom IV thrombolytic was initiated greater than 60 minutes after hospital arrival |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-19b: TPADEL45 | <p>If IV thrombolytic was initiated greater than 45 minutes after hospital arrival, were eligibility or medical response documented as the cause for delay?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there were eligibility or medical response documented as the cause for delay for patients to whom IV thrombolytic was initiated greater than 45 minutes after hospital arrival</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 184</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients to whom IV thrombolytic was initiated greater than 45 minutes after hospital arrival |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-19c: DELAYRSN | <p>Eligibility or Medical reason(s) were documented as the cause for delay in thrombolytic administration: Need for additional PPE for suspected/ confirmed infectious disease</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the eligibility or medical reason(s) were documented as the cause for delay in thrombolytic administration.</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 185</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients to whom thrombolytic therapy was delayed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-20a: ATHR2DAY | Was antithrombotic therapy received by the end of hospital day 2? This variable indicates whether antithrombotic therapy was received by the end of hospital day 2 |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 186 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes 2 Not collected |

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| Item IN-21a: VTELDUH | VTE Prophylaxis. Low dose unfractionated heparin (LDUH) This variable indicates low dose unfractionated heparin (LDUH) as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 187 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21b: VTELMWH | VTE Prophylaxis. Low molecular weight heparin (LMWH) This variable indicates low molecular weight heparin (LMWH) as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 188 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21c: VTEIPC | VTE Prophylaxis. Intermittent pneumatic compression devices This variable indicates intermittent pneumatic compression devices as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 189 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21d: VTEGCS | VTE Prophylaxis. Graduated compression stockings (GCS) This variable indicates graduated compression stockings (GCS) as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 190 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21e: VTEXAI | VTE Prophylaxis. Factor Xa Inhibitor This variable indicates factor Xa Inhibitor as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 191 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21f: VTEWAR | VTE Prophylaxis. Warfarin This variable indicates Warfarin as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 192 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21g: VTEVFP | VTE Prophylaxis. Venous foot pumps This variable indicates Venous foot pumps as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 193 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21h: VTEOXAI | VTE Prophylaxis. Oral Factor Xa Inhibitor This variable indicates Oral Factor Xa Inhibitor as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 194 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21i: VTEASPRN | VTE Prophylaxis. Aspirin This variable indicates Aspirin as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 195 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21j: VTEND | VTE Prophylaxis. Not Documented or none of the above This variable indicates Not documented or none of the above as the type of VTE Prophylaxis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 196 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-21k: VTEDATE | What date was the initial VTE prophylaxis administered? This variable indicates the date the initial VTE prophylaxis was administered |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 197 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYYYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

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| Item IN-211: NOVTEDOC | <p>If not documented or none of the above types of prophylaxis apply, is there documentation why prophylaxis was not administered at hospital admission?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there is documentation on why prophylaxis was not administered at hospital admission</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 205</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients to whom prophylaxis was not administered at hospital admission |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-21m: OFXAVTE | <p>Is there a documented reason for using Oral Factor Xa Inhibitor for VTE?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there is a documented reason for using Oral Factor Xa Inhibitor for VTE</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 206</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-22a: LDUHIV | Other Therapeutic Anticoagulation. Unfractionated heparin IV This variable indicates Unfractionated heparin IV as other therapeutic anticoagulation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 207 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-22b: DABIGAT | Other Therapeutic Anticoagulation. Dabigatran (Pradaxa) This variable indicates Dabigatran (Pradaxa) as other therapeutic anticoagulation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 208 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-22c: ARGATRO | Other Therapeutic Anticoagulation. Argatroban This variable indicates Argatroban as other therapeutic anticoagulation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 209 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-22d: DESIRUD | Other Therapeutic Anticoagulation. Desirudin (Iprivask) This variable indicates Desirudin (Iprivask) as other therapeutic anticoagulation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 210 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-22e: ORALXAI | Other Therapeutic Anticoagulation. Oral Factor Xa Inhibitors (e.g., rivaroxaban/Xarelto) This variable indicates Oral Factor Xa Inhibitors (e.g., rivaroxaban/Xarelto) as other therapeutic anticoagulation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 211 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-22f: LEPIRUD | Other Therapeutic Anticoagulation. Lepirudin (Refludan) This variable indicates Lepirudin (Refludan) as other therapeutic anticoagulation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 212 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-22g: OTHACOAG | Other Therapeutic Anticoagulation. Other Anticoagulant This variable indicates other coagulants as other therapeutic anticoagulation |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 213 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-23a: NPO | <p>Was the patient NPO throughout the entire hospital stay? (That is, this patient never received food, fluids, or medication by mouth at any time. This includes any medications delivered in the Emergency Room phase of care.)</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient was NPO throughout the entire hospital stay, meaning the patient never received food, fluids, or medication by mouth at any time, including any medications delivered in the Emergency Room phase of care</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 214</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-23b: DYSPHAYN | <p>Was patient screened for dysphagia prior to any oral intake, including food, fluids or medications?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient was screened for dysphagia prior to any oral intake, including food, fluids or medications</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 215</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No or Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> <p>2 NC - a documented reason for not screening exists in the medical record</p> |

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| Item IN-23c: DYSPHAPF | <p>If patient was screened for dysphagia, what were the results of the most recent screen prior to oral intake?</p> <p>This variable indicates the results of the most recent dysphagia screening prior to oral intake for patients</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 216</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients that were screened for dysphagia |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>1 Pass</p> <p>2 Fail</p> <p>9 Not documented</p> |

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| Item IN-24a: PNEUMYN | <p>Was there documentation that the patient was treated for hospital acquired pneumonia (pneumonia not present at admission) during this admission?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there was documentation that the patient was treated for hospital acquired pneumonia (pneumonia not present at admission) during this admission</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 217</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No or Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> <p>2 NC - a documented reason for not screening exists in the medical record</p> |

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| Item IN-25a: DVTDOCYN | Did patient experience a DVT or pulmonary embolus (PE) during this admission? This variable indicates whether the patient experienced a DVT or pulmonary embolus (PE) during this admission |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 218 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

*Active Bacterial or Viral Infection at Admission
or During Hospitalization*

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| Item IN-26a: INF_COLD | <p>Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. Seasonal cold or flu</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient contracted seasonal cold or flu at admission or during hospitalization</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 219</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-26b: INF_FLU | Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. Influenza This variable indicates whether the patient contracted influenza at admission or during hospitalization |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 220 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-26c: INF_BAC | Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. Bacterial infection This variable indicates whether the patient contracted a bacterial infection at admission or during hospitalization |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 221 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-26d: INF_OTH | <p>Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. Other viral infection</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient contracted another viral infection at admission or during hospitalization</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 222</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-26e: INF_EMID | <p>Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. Emerging Infectious Disease</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient contracted an emerging infectious disease at admission or during hospitalization</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 223</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-26f: INF_COV1 | Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. SARS-COV-1 This variable indicates whether the patient contracted SARS-COV-1 at admission or during hospitalization |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 224 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-26g: INF_COV2 | Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) This variable indicates whether the patient contracted SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) at admission or during hospitalization |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 225 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-26h: INF_MERS | Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. MERS This variable indicates whether the patient contracted MERS at admission or during hospitalization |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 226 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-26i: INF_OEID | Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. Other Emerging Infectious Disease This variable indicates whether the patient contracted another emerging infectious disease at admission or during hospitalization |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 227 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-26j: INF_NONE | <p>Active bacterial or viral infection at admission or during hospitalization. None/Not documented</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient had not contracted an active bacterial or viral infection or was not documented at admission or during hospitalization</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 228</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

Date of discharge from hospital

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| Item IN-27a: DSCHRGD | What date was the patient discharged from hospital? This variable indicates the date the patient was discharged from hospital |
| FORMAT | Type: Date Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: Yes Beginning Position: 229 Valid Range: Valid date |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Valid date in MMDDYYYY format MM= Month (01-12), DD=Day (01-31) and YYYY = Year (20XX) |

Principal discharge ICD-10-CM diagnosis

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| Item IN-28a: ICD10DX | Principal discharge ICD-10-CM code This variable indicates the principal discharge ICD-10-CM code |
| FORMAT | Type: Character Item Length: 8 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 237 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | Alphanumeric, 3 before decimal, 4 after decimal |

Clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission

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| Item IN-29a: ADMDXSH | <p>Clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission. Subarachnoid hemorrhage</p> <p>This variable indicates subarachnoid hemorrhage as the clinical diagnosis related to the stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 245</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-29b: ADMDXIH | <p>Clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission. Intracerebral hemorrhage</p> <p>This variable indicates intracerebral hemorrhage as the clinical diagnosis related to the stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 246</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-29c: ADMDXIS | <p>Clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission. Ischemic stroke</p> <p>This variable indicates ischemic stroke as the clinical diagnosis related to the stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 247</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-29d: ADMDXTIA | <p>Clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission. Transient ischemic attack</p> <p>This variable indicates transient ischemic attack as the clinical diagnosis related to the stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 248</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-29e: ADMDXSNS | Clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission. Stroke not otherwise specified This variable indicates stroke not otherwise specified as the clinical diagnosis related to the stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 249 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-29f: ADMDXNOS | Clinical diagnosis related to stroke that was ultimately responsible for this admission. No stroke related diagnosis This variable indicates whether there was no stroke related diagnosis |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 250 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-29g: ADMCE | Was patient admitted for the sole purpose of performance of a carotid intervention? This variable indicates whether the patient was admitted for the sole purpose of performance of a carotid intervention |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 251 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No or Unable to determine 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-29h: CLNTRIAL | Was the patient enrolled in a stroke clinical trial? This variable indicates whether the patient was enrolled in a stroke clinical trial |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 252 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No or Unable to determine 1 Yes |

Discharge disposition

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| Item IN-30a: DSCHDISP | Discharge disposition This variable indicates the discharge disposition |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 253 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Discharged to home or self-care (routine discharge), with or without home health, discharged to jail or law enforcement, or to assisted living facility 2 Discharged to home hospice 3 Discharged to hospice in a health care facility 4 Discharged to an acute care facility (includes critical access hospitals, cancer and children's hospitals, VA, and DOD hospitals) 5 Discharged to another healthcare facility 6 Expired 7 Left against medical advice or discontinued care 8 Not documented or unable to determine |

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| Item IN-30b: OHFTYPE | If discharged to another healthcare facility above (option 5), what type of facility was it? This variable indicates the type of healthcare facility the patient was discharged to |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 254 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes all patients that were discharged to another healthcare facility |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Skilled nursing facility 2 Inpatient rehabilitation 3 Long-term care facility, or hospital 4 Intermediate care facility 5 Other |

Functional Status at Discharge

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| Item IN-31a: MRSSCORE | Modified Rankin Scale Score This variable indicates the modified Rankin Scale Score for the patient |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 255 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 No symptoms 1 No significant disability despite symptoms 2 Slight disability 3 Moderate disability, can walk without assistance 4 Moderate to severe disability, needs assistance to walk 5 Severe disability, bedridden 6 Death |

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| Item IN-31b: AMBSTATD | Ambulatory status at discharge This variable indicates the ambulatory status at discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 256 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Able to ambulate independently with or without device 2 With assistance from another person 3 Unable to ambulate 9 Not documented |

Antihypertensive Treatment at Discharge

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| Item IN-32a: HBPTREAT | Is there documentation that antihypertensive medication was prescribed at discharge? This variable indicates whether there was documentation that antihypertensive medication was prescribed at discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 257 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes 2 A documented reason for not screening exists in the medical record |

Lipid Treatment

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| Item IN-33a: LIPNONE | No cholesterol reducing treatment prescribed at discharge This variable indicates whether no cholesterol reducing treatment was prescribed at discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 258 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33b: LIPSTATN | Was a statin medication prescribed at discharge? This variable indicates whether statin medication was prescribed at discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 259 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33c: LIPOTHNC | <p>If other lipid lowering medications not prescribed, was there a documented contraindication to other lipid lowering medication?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there was a documented contraindication to other lipid lowering medication when other lipid lowering medications were not prescribed</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 260</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients to whom lipid lowering medications was not prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-33d: LIPFIBRT | Cholesterol reducing treatment prescribed. Fibrate This variable indicates whether Fibrate was prescribed as a cholesterol reducing treatment |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 261 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients to whom a cholesterol reducing treatment was prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33e: LIPOTHRX | Other cholesterol reducing medication This variable indicates whether other cholesterol reducing medication was prescribed |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 262 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients to whom a cholesterol reducing treatment was prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33f: LIPNIACN | Cholesterol reducing treatment prescribed. Niacin This variable indicates whether Niacin was prescribed as a cholesterol reducing treatment |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 263 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients to whom a cholesterol reducing treatment was prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33g: LIPABSIN | Cholesterol reducing treatment prescribed. Absorption inhibitor This variable indicates whether an absorption inhibitor was prescribed as a cholesterol reducing treatment |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 264 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients to whom a cholesterol reducing treatment was prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33h: LIPPCSK | Cholesterol reducing treatment prescribed. PCSK9 inhibitor This variable indicates whether PCSK9 inhibitor was prescribed as a cholesterol reducing treatment |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 265 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients to whom a cholesterol reducing treatment was prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33i: STATNNC | If statin not prescribed, was there a documented contraindication to statins? This variable indicates whether there was a documented contraindication to statins for patients to whom statin was not prescribed |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 266 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients to whom statin was not prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-33j: STATNINT | What intensity was the statin that was prescribed at discharge? This variable indicates the intensity of the statin prescribed at discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 267 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients to whom statin was prescribed |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 High-intensity statin 2 Moderate-intensity statin 3 Low-intensity statin 9 Unknown |

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| Item IN-33k: STATNWHY | <p>Was there a documented reason for not prescribing the guideline recommended statin dose?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there was a documented reason for not prescribing the guideline recommended statin dose</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 268</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients that were not prescribed the guideline recommended statin dose |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Intolerant to moderate (>75 years) or high (<=75 years) intensity statin 2 No evidence of atherosclerosis (cerebral, coronary, or peripheral vascular disease) 3 Other documented reason 9 Unknown |

Atrial Fibrillation

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| Item IN-34a: AFIBYN | <p>Was atrial fibrillation/flutter or paroxysmal atrial fibrillation (PAF), documented during this episode of care?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether atrial fibrillation/flutter or paroxysmal atrial fibrillation (PAF) was documented during this episode of care</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 269</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

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| Item IN-34b: AFIBRX | <p>If a history of atrial fibrillation/flutter or PAF is documented in the medical history or if the patient experienced atrial fibrillation/flutter or PAF during this episode of care, was patient prescribed anticoagulation medication upon discharge?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the patient was prescribed anticoagulation medication upon discharge atrial fibrillation/flutter or PAF during this episode of care</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 270</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with a history of atrial fibrillation/flutter or PAF or patients that experienced atrial fibrillation/flutter or PAF during this episode of care |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No/Not documented</p> <p>1 Yes</p> <p>2 A documented reason for not screening exists in the medical record</p> |

Antithrombotics at Discharge

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| Item IN-35a: ATHDSCYN | Was antithrombotic (antiplatelet or anticoagulant) medication prescribed at discharge? This variable indicates whether antithrombotic (antiplatelet or anticoagulant) medication was prescribed at discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 271 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes 2 A documented reason for not screening exists in the medical record |

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| Item IN-35b: DC_PLT | If patient was discharged on an antithrombotic medication, was it an antiplatelet? This variable indicates whether the patient was discharged with an antiplatelet medication |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 272 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients discharged on antithrombotic medication |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-35c: DC_COAG | If patient was discharged on an antithrombotic medication, was it an anticoagulant? This variable indicates whether the patient was discharged with an anticoagulant medication |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 273 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients discharged on antithrombotic medication |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

Smoking Counseling

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| Item IN-36a: SMKCESYN | <p>If past medical history of smoking is checked as yes, was the adult patient or their caregiver given smoking cessation advice or counseling during the hospital stay?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether the adult patient or their caregiver was given smoking cessation advice or counseling during the hospital stay</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 274</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes patients with past medical history of smoking |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No or not documented in the medical record</p> <p>1 Yes</p> <p>2 A documented reason exists for not performing counseling</p> |

Stroke Education

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| Item IN-37a: EDUCRF | Stroke Education. Risk factors for stroke This variable indicates whether the patient received education regarding risk factors for stroke |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 275 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
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| Item IN-37b: EDUCSSX | Stroke Education. Stroke Warning Signs and Symptoms This variable indicates whether the patient received education regarding stroke warning signs and symptoms |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 276 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-37c: EDUCEMS | Stroke Education. How to activate EMS for stroke This variable indicates whether the patient received education regarding how to activate EMS for stroke |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 277 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-37d: EDUCCC | Stroke Education. Need for follow-up after discharge This variable indicates whether the patient received education regarding need for follow-up after discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 278 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

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| Item IN-37e: EDUCMEDS | Stroke Education. Medications prescribed at discharge This variable indicates whether the patient received education regarding medications prescribed at discharge |
| FORMAT | Type: Numeric Item Length: 1 Leading Zeros: No Beginning Position: 279 Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | 0 No/Not documented 1 Yes |

Rehabilitation

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| Item IN-38a: REHAPLAN | <p>Is there documentation in the record that the patient was assessed for or received rehabilitation services?</p> <p>This variable indicates whether there is documentation that the patient was assessed for or received rehabilitation services</p> |
| FORMAT | <p>Type: Numeric</p> <p>Item Length: 1</p> <p>Leading Zeros: No</p> <p>Beginning Position: 280</p> <p>Valid Range: See values; cannot be blank</p> |
| SOURCE | Not applicable; COVERDELL-specific variable |
| DENOMINATOR POPULATION | The denominator includes only patients that were admitted |
| VALUES AND DESCRIPTION | <p>0 No</p> <p>1 Yes</p> |

APPENDIX

Appendix A

Data Elements Submission* Timeline

February 15, 2022

Data collected from: October 2021 to December 2021

June 15, 2022

Data collected from: January 2022 to April 2022

October 15, 2022

Data collected from: May 2022 to August 2022

February 15, 2023

Data collected from: September 2022 to December 2022

June 15, 2023

Data collected from: January 2023 to April 2023

October 15, 2023

Data collected from: May 2023 to August 2023

February 15, 2024

Data collected from: September 2023 to December 2023

June 15, 2024

Data collected from: January 2024 to April 2024

July 29, 2024

Cooperative Agreement Closeout Data Submission

*All Data Elements files submitted to CDC are expected to be cumulative files from the beginning of the current cooperative agreement.

Appendix B

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RESOURCES

CDC has developed several strategies and tools to provide technical assistance and support in collecting and submitting data. This appendix describes the various types of technical assistance available to Coverdell recipients

Types of Data Technical Assistance Available

Technical assistance available to recipients can be broadly categorized as individualized technical assistance, group technical assistance, and tools. Below, specific types of technical assistance/tools within these categories are described. The table at the end of this subsection summarizes the types of technical assistance/tools by category, provider, and timeline.

Individualized Technical Assistance

- **Data Review Calls.** After each data element submission, data reports are generated and may be reviewed with recipients during a data review call. As needed, data quality reports and other materials may also be reviewed.
- **Helpdesk Requests.** Recipients can request individualized technical assistance through the Helpdesk (coverdell@rti.org). A health scientist from the CDC data team will collaborate with the data contractor to respond to technical assistance requests. This type of assistance is tailored to the recipient and the request. More information is provided in the following subsections of this appendix, “Requesting Individualized Technical Assistance” and “Helpdesk for Technical Assistance Requests.”

Group Technical Assistance

- **Ad Hoc Data Calls and Trainings.** Throughout the course of the year, data issues affecting a majority of or all recipients may be identified, either through individualized technical assistance or as a

result of changes to the data elements submission process and specifications (e.g., modification of data elements specifications, added data elements variables). As a result, trainings or group communications may be needed, which can be fulfilled by holding ad hoc data calls and/or training seminars.

Tools

- **Coverdell Data Manual.** This manual is a technical assistance tool for recipients. It provides detailed guidance on the data element submission process and data element specifications, and it will be updated as necessary to stay current with the data submission and collection requirements. Recipients can access the current edition in the Awards Management Platform (AMP).

Summary of Types of Technical Assistance and Tools Available

| TA Type | Provider | Timeline |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| <i>Individual</i> | | |
| Data review calls | Project officers and/or data contractor | Tri-annually, after data element submission and release of data reports |
| Helpdesk requests | Data contractor | As needed |
| <i>Group</i> | | |
| Ad hoc data calls and trainings | Data contractor | As needed |
| <i>Tools</i> | | |
| Coverdell Data Manual | Data contractor | Ongoing |

Helpdesk for Individualized Data Technical Assistance Requests

Technical assistance may be requested by emailing the data contractor at coverdell@rti.org. Once a request for technical assistance related to a data element is received, Helpdesk will automatically confirm receipt of the request and collaborate with the Health Scientists to resolve the request. For more complex requests or those requiring project officer input, responses may take more than 24 hours. All requests are tracked by Helpdesk staff and the health scientists to ensure that follow-up is completed for all requests and that responses are satisfactory to the requester. In addition, project officers will be kept abreast of the technical assistance needs of their programs. The tracking of technical assistance requests by the Helpdesk, health scientists, and project officers allows

CDC to identify common issues to inform Program-wide technical assistance.