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|  |  | **Inpatient Medication Reconciliation** |  |  |
| 1 | emlr | Upon admission or during the 24 hours after admission, is there documentation the Essential Medication List for Review (EMLR) was used for medication reconciliation?1.  Yes2.  No | 1,2If 1, autofill revptmed1 - revptmed8 = 1; go to revptmed9If 2, go to revptmed1

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 | The intent of the question is to determine if the facility is utilizing the Essential Medication List for Review (EMLR) Data Object which is a health summary component enhancement for CPRS to document the essential medication elements for review. The EMLR is used to pull together the components necessary for medication review in order to generate a complete medication list. The EMLR is an alphabetical list of the patient’s prescriptions. The EMLR Data Object may be imported into any note, e.g. Medication Reconciliation Note, Nursing assessment note, Progress note, etc.* Use of the EMLR will be recognizable by the codes imbedded: MRT5 - Allergy Health Summary Component; and MRR1 - Medication and Supply Health Summary Components (no glossary version) or MRT1 - Medication and Supply Health Summary Components (glossary version-preferred for patients).
* The Medical Record will include the following introductory paragraph regarding what is included (as well as other information about what is not): *Active prescriptions dispensed from this VA (local) and dispensed from another VA or DoD facility (remote) as well as local inpatient and clinic medications (IMOs), locally documented non-VA medications and local prescriptions that have expired or been discontinued in the past 90 days.*
* Using the EMLR will result in an auto-fill of yes for the essential elements revptmed1-revptmed8.
* In order to select “yes” for revptmed9, there must be at least one allergy listed or an indication that the patient has no known drug allergies (NKDA). If the EMLR is used and the Allergy Health Summary Component - MRT5 indicates that there are “No Records Found” or “No Data Found” or a warning that data is not available for “Local Allergies”, allergies must be addressed separately within the same note as the EMLR (e.g., patient states he is allergic to Penicillin or has no known drug allergies, etc.).

**Suggested data sources:**  Progress notes include but are not limited to clinical pharmacy note, ED documentation, EMLR note, H&P, intake note, medication reconciliation note, pre-operative anesthesia note, essential medication list for review note. |

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| 2 | revptmed1revptmed2revptmed3revptmed4revptmed5revptmed6revptmed7revptmed8revptmed9 | Upon admission or during the 24 hours after admission, is there evidence in the medical record that a medication list for review included all of the following components?

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| **Essential Medication List Component** | 1, 2If any revptmed1 – revptmed9 = 1, go to ipmedrevIf (all revptmed1 – revptmed9 = 2) and dcdispo = 6 or 7, go out of moduleIf (all revptmed1 – revptmed9 = 2) and dcdispo = 3, 4, or 5, go to trxlist; else if (all revptmed1 – revptmed9 = 2 and dcdispo = 1, 2, or 99, go to dcrxlist |
| 1. Active VA Prescriptions | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 2. Remote Active VA Prescriptions | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 3. Non-VA Medications | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 4. Expired VA Prescriptions (see D/D rules) | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 5. Discontinued VA Prescriptions (see D/D rules) | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 6. Pending Medication Orders  | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 7. Clinic (IMO) Medication Orders(see D/D rules) | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 8. Inpatient Medications | 1. Yes 2. No |
| 9. Local Allergies | 1. Yes 2. No |

 | **The intent of the question is to determine if the components of the essential medication list for review were presented in a note to the health care team to review the patient’s medications at the time of admission.** * If the medication list for review does not include a component and the component is listed in a header **preceding** the medication list for review, select “1” for the component.

**Example:** The patient’s active, pending, non-VA, and remote medications as well as prescriptions that have been expired or discontinued in the past 6 months was: [list of medications documented]. There are no remote medications in the medication list; select “1” for remote medications.* An addendum added to the original medication list for review note containing a medication list for review upon admission or during the 24 hours after admission is acceptable.
* **If the EMLR data object is not used, and there are multiple medication list for review notes during the 24 hours after admission, use the following priority order to select the medication list for review note:**
	1. Medication reconciliation or medication review note
	2. Essential medication list for review note
	3. Clinical pharmacy or pharmacy note
	4. History and Physical
	5. Other progress notes

**The medication list for review (may also be named Essential Medication List for Review or its equivalent) includes:*** Active VA Prescription(s) *from the VAMC which generates the EMLR*
* Remote Active VA Prescription(s) *from another VAMC or DoD facility*
* Non-VA medication(s) - *not dispensed/administered by the VA and documented in non-VA medication list*
* Expired VA Prescription(s):
	+ Must include prescriptions that have expired in the last 90 days.
	+ May include prescriptions that have expired in the last 180 days.
	+ MUST NOT include prescriptions that expired greater than 180 days (e.g., expired VA prescriptions in the last 210 days). \*Sites using objects pulling “MRP – Medication Reconciliation” or “Other meds dispensed in last year” are exempt from this rule.
* Discontinued VA Prescription(s):
	+ Must include prescriptions that have been discontinued in the last 90 days.
	+ May include prescriptions that have been discontinued in the last 180 days.
	+ MUST NOT include prescriptions that were discontinued greater than 180 days (e.g., discontinued VA prescriptions in the last 210 days). \*Sites using objects pulling “MRP – Medication Reconciliation” or “Other meds dispensed in last year” are exempt from this rule.
* Pending Medication Order(s)
* Clinic (Inpatient Medications for Outpatient - IMOs) Medication Orders - **(**inpatient medications for outpatients; e.g. naltrexone - injectables in clinic) (*Active, Pending, Expired/Discontinued (120 days))*
* Inpatient Medications
* Allergies (ideally remote and local allergies should be included, but at a minimum, local allergies must be documented to answer “1”).
* In order to select “yes” for revptmed9, there must be at least one allergy listed or an indication that the patient has no known drug allergies (NKDA). If the EMLR is used and the Allergy Health Summary Component - MRT5 indicates that there are “No Records Found” or “No Data Found” or a warning that data is not available for “Local Allergies”, allergies must be addressed separately within the same note as the EMLR (e.g., patient states he is allergic to Penicillin or has no known drug allergies, etc.).
* **Concerning the order in which the medication information is displayed:**
	+ The best practice is to alphabetize the EMLR by drug name regardless of source, but it is acceptable to list drug names under each source.
	+ The description of each source must be sufficient to map to the component (e.g., Active VA Prescriptions at other VAMCs is sufficient for Remote Active VA Prescriptions).
* For Remote Active VA Prescriptions, documentation that “Remote Data Down” is acceptable to answer “1”.

**Cont’d next page****Medication list for review cont’d****Example of Essential Medication List for Review documentation:** **- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -****Inpatient Medication Reconciliation**Review of medications at the time of this encounter included: Patient allergies and active and pending prescriptions dispensed from this VA (local) and dispensed from another VA or DoD facility (remote) as well as local inpatient and clinic medications (IMOs), locally documented non-VA medications and local prescriptions that have expired or been discontinued in the past 90 days. With the exception of Allergies, if a category is not listed below, it means there were no relevant medications for the patient.--------------------------------------------------------------------------**Alphabetized list of outpatient Rx's, remote and Non-VA****meds**Legend: OPT = VA issued outpatient prescription, INP = VA issued inpatientorderNon-VA Meds Last Documented On: Apr 17, 2007--------------------------------------------------------------------------OPT ALLOPURINOL 100MG TAB (Status = ACTIVE)     TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH DAILY FOR GOUT          Last Released: 12/22/16                      Days Supply: 90          Rx Expiration Date: 12/17/17                 Refills Remaining: 3Non VA ASPIRIN 81MG CHEW TAB     CHEW ONE TABLET BY MOUTH DAILY Patient wants to buy from Non-VA pharmacy. **Other medications previously dispensed in the last year:**OPT AMLODIPINE BESYLATE 5MG TAB (DISCONTINUED BY PROVIDER/90 Days Supply Last Released: 4/26/16)TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH DAILY FOR HEART/BLOOD PRESSURE**Note:** For surgical care cases that have surgery on the day of admission, documentation of the patient’s list of medications and/or a medication list for review in the pre-op H&P done prior to admission including provider documentation that the patient/caregiver participated in the development of list AND provider documentation prior to surgery that the medications are unchanged (or similar wording) from the pre-op H&P is acceptable. **Suggested data sources:**  Progress notes include but are not limited to clinical pharmacy note, EMLR note, H&P, intake note, medication reconciliation note, pre-operative anesthesia note |

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| 3 | ipmedrev | Upon admission or during the 24 hours after admission, is there documentation the available essential medication list components were reviewed with the patient/caregiver?3. Yes4. No: There is no documentation that the available essential medication list components were reviewed with the patient/caregiver5. Documented the patient/caregiver refused or was unable to participate in review of essential medication list components | 3,4,5If dcdispo = 6 or 7, go out of moduleIf dcdispo = 3, 4, or 5, go to trxlist; else go to dcrxlist | * If there is documentation that the health care team member reviewed the available essential medication list components **with the patient/caregiver**, select “3”.
* If the documentation does NOT indicate that the patient/caregiver was involved in the review of the medication list, select “4.” For example, physician noted, “Medication list reviewed. No changes noted.”
* If there is documentation that the patient and/or caregiver refused or was unable to participate in review of the essential medication list components, select “5.” For example, physician notes, “Patient is obtunded and cannot confirm medications.”

Suggested data sources:  Progress notes (clinic notes), clinical pharmacy notes, EMLR note, medication reconciliation notes, telephone encounter notes |
|  |  | **Discharge Medication Reconciliation** |  |  |
| 4 | trxlist | At the time of discharge/transition in care, is there documentation that a written list of the reconciled discharge medications was transmitted to the next level of care provider?1. Yes2. No3. Documented medications were not prescribed at discharge | 1,2,3If 1,2, or 3, go to end | This question applies to patients that are discharged/transferred to a hospice facility, another acute care facility, or other health care facility.If the next level of care provider has access to the complete electronic medical record (i.e. CPRS), select “1.” CPRS should contain documentation that the next level of care provider has access to CPRS.Methods for transmitting the written list of reconciled medications include, but are not limited to: FedEx, CPRS access. **Suggested data sources:** Discharge/Transfer summary, Medication Reconciliation note |
| 5 | dcrxlist  | At the time of discharge, is there documentation that a written list of the reconciled discharge medications was provided to the patient/caregiver?1. Yes2. No3. Documented medications were not prescribed at discharge | 1,2,3If 3, go to end | Documentation that a copy of the list of discharge medications was given to the patient/caregiver is acceptable. For example, pharmacist notes, “Copy of discharge meds given to patient.” If there is documentation a copy of the discharge instructions were given to the patient AND the discharge instructions included the patient’s discharge medications, select “1.”**Suggested data sources:** Discharge summary, discharge instructions, medication reconciliation note |

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| 6 | medsame2 | Were the medications listed on the patient’s discharge instructions the same as the medications listed in the discharge summary?1. Yes2. No | 1,2 | **For the purposes of this question, it is necessary to compare medications only.** Disregard items such as alcohol pads, syringes, glucometer test strips, etc. **In order to answer accurately, it is necessary to do a careful and thorough comparison of the medication list in the discharge instructions and the medication list in the discharge summary.*** **If discharge medications are contained in more than one discharge document (**e.g., physician discharge instructions, pharmacy discharge instructions, nursing discharge instructions, discharge summary)**, the discharge medications list must be the same in all documents in order to select “1.”**
* If the discharge medications are not listed in the discharge summary, but there is a reference to the document that contains the information, select “1.” **Example:** In reference to discharge medications the Discharge summary states, “Please see Pharmacy Discharge Instructions” or “Please refer to Nursing Discharge Note.” This is acceptable to select “1.”

\*Note: Discharge instructions and discharge summary/documentation should ALWAYS be accompanied with the discharge medication list when furnished to patients or other health care teams respectively.* If the discharge medications are not listed on the discharge instructions given to the patient, select “2.”
* If the discharge medications in the discharge summary, (or the document that is referenced in the discharge summary), are not the same as the discharge instructions given to the patient, select “2”.

**Suggested data sources:** Discharge summary, Discharge instructions given to the patient, Pharmacy discharge instructions |

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| **Discharge Disposition (DCDISPO: What was the patient’s discharge disposition on the day of discharge?) Reference Information:**1. Home* Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs) – includes assisted living care at nursing home/facility
* Court/Law Enforcement – includes detention facilities, jails, and prison
* Home – includes board and care, domiciliary, foster or residential care, group or personal care homes, retirement communities, and homeless shelters
* Home with Home Health Services
* Outpatient Services including outpatient procedures at another hospital, outpatient Chemical Dependency Programs and Partial Hospitalization

2. Hospice – Home (or other home setting as listed in #1 above)3. Hospice – Health Care Facility* General Inpatient and Respite, Residential and Skilled Facilities, and Other Health Care Facilities

4. Acute Care Facility* Acute Short Term General and Critical Access Hospitals
* Cancer and Children’s Hospitals
* Department of Defense and Veteran’s Administration Hospitals

5. Other Health Care Facility* Extended or Immediate Care Facility (ECF/ICF)
* Long Term Acute Care Hospital (LTACH)
* Nursing Home or Facility including Veteran’s Administration Nursing Facility
* Psychiatric Hospital or Psychiatric Unit of a Hospital
* Rehabilitation Facility including Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility/Hospital or Rehabilitation Unit of a Hospital
* Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF), Sub-Acute Care or Swing Bed
* Transitional Care Unit (TCU)
* Veteran’s Home

6. Expired7. Left Against Medical Advice/AMA99. Not documented or unable to determine |