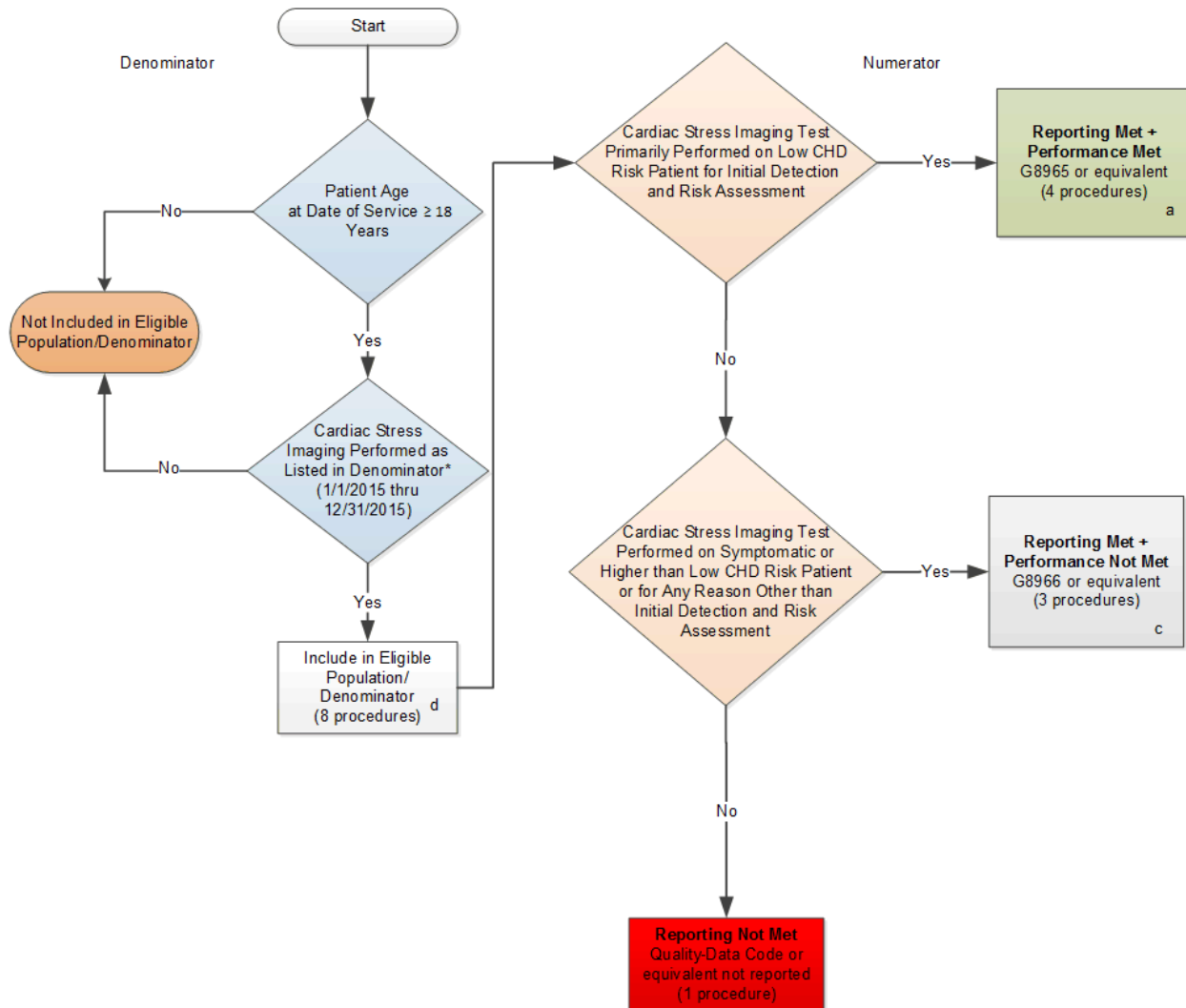


**2015 Registry Individual Measure Flow**  
**PQRS #324 NQF #0672: Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Testing in Asymptomatic, Low-Risk Patients**



**SAMPLE CALCULATIONS:**

**Reporting Rate=**

Performance Met (a=4 procedures) + Performance Not Met (c=3 procedures) = 7 procedures = 87.50%  
 Eligible Population / Denominator (d=8 procedures) = 8 procedures

**Performance Rate=**

Performance Met (a=4 procedures) = 4 procedures = 57.14%  
 Reporting Numerator (7 procedures) = 7 procedures

\* See the posted Measure Specification for specific coding and instructions to report this measure.

\*\*A low calculate performance rate for this measure indicates better clinical control and care

NOTE: Reporting Frequency: Procedure

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**PQRS #324 NQF #0672: Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use**  
**Criteria: Testing in Asymptomatic, Low-Risk Patients**

Please refer to the specific section of the Measure Specification to identify the denominator and numerator information for use in reporting this Individual Measure.

1. Start with Denominator
2. Check Patient Age:
  - a. If the Age is greater than or equal to 18 years of age at Date of Service and equals No during the measurement period, do not include in Eligible Patient Population. Stop Processing.
  - b. If the Age is greater than or equal to 18 years of age at Date of Service and equals Yes during the measurement period, proceed to check Cardiac Stress Imaging Performed.
3. Check Cardiac Stress Imaging Performed:
  - a. If Cardiac Stress Imaging Performed as Listed in the Denominator equals No, do not include in Eligible Patient Population. Stop Processing.
  - b. If Cardiac Stress Imaging Performed as Listed in the Denominator equals Yes, include in the Eligible Population.
4. Denominator Population:
  - a. Denominator population is all Eligible Patients in the denominator. Denominator is represented as Denominator in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter d equals 8 procedures in the sample calculation.
5. Start Numerator
6. Check Cardiac Stress Imaging Test Primarily Performed on Low CHD Risk Patient for Initial Detection and Risk Assessment:
  - a. If Cardiac Stress Imaging Test Primarily Performed on Low CHD Risk Patient for Initial Detection and Risk Assessment equals Yes, include in Reporting Met and Performance Met.
  - b. Reporting Met and Performance Met letter is represented in the Reporting Rate and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a equals 4 procedures in Sample Calculation.
  - c. If Cardiac Stress Imaging Test Primarily Performed on Low CHD Risk Patient for Initial Detection and Risk Assessment equals No, proceed to Cardiac Stress Imaging Test Performed on Symptomatic or Higher than Low CHD Risk Patient or for Any Reason other than Initial Detection and Risk Assessment.
7. Check Cardiac Stress Imaging Test Performed on Symptomatic or Higher than Low CHD Risk Patient or for Any Reason other than Initial Detection and Risk Assessment:
  - a. If Cardiac Stress Imaging Test Performed on Symptomatic or Higher than Low CHD Risk Patient or for Any Reason other than Initial Detection and Risk Assessment equals Yes, include in Reporting Met and Performance Not Met.
  - b. Reporting Met and Performance Not Met is represented in the Reporting Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter c equals 3 procedures in the Sample Calculation.

- c. If Cardiac Stress Imaging Test Performed on Symptomatic or Higher than Low CHD Risk Patient or for Any Reason other than Initial Detection and Risk Assessment equals No, proceed to Reporting Not Met.
8. Check Reporting Not Met:
  - a. If Reporting Not Met equals No, the Quality Data Code or equivalent was not reported. 1 procedure has been subtracted from the reporting numerator in the sample calculation.

**SAMPLE CALCULATIONS:**

**Reporting Rate=**

$$\frac{\text{Performance MeT (a=4 procedures) + Performance Not Met (c=3 procedures)}}{\text{Eligible Population / Denominator (d=8 procedures)}} = \frac{7 \text{ procedures}}{8 \text{ procedures}} = 87.50\%$$

**Performance Rate=**

$$\frac{\text{Performance MeT (a=4 procedures)}}{\text{Reporting Numerator (7 procedures)}} = \frac{4 \text{ procedures}}{7 \text{ procedures}} = 57.14\%$$