

Exploring Case-mix Applications Beyond the Hospital Stay

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Aims: The advantages that case mix offers toward more efficient management of patient care are not restricted to the hospital setting. As has been demonstrated in both public and private healthcare systems around the globe, case mix applications contribute to improved delivery across the entire health care system. These include the ability to:

- Predict high-risk users for inclusion in care management
- Determine government- or employer-budgeted payment to health plans
- Allocate resources across regions, clinics or programs
- Set capitation payments for provider groups
- Evaluate access to care Assess the efficiency of provider practices

The aim of this workshop is to provide an insight into the numerous applications of case-mix in the ambulatory health care sector, from integrated care networks to primary care clinics and, finally at the individual provider level.

Methods/Schedule: The Workshop will open with an introductory presentation on the numerous applications of case mix within the integrated and ambulatory care sectors. Following a coffee break, the workshop would be divided into groups to discuss real world scenarios demonstrating three applications:

- Population Management / Resource Allocation / Population profiling
- Performance Management / Provider profiling
- Case Management / Patient Identification

The workshop would conclude with a plenary session which would summarize the take home messages of the groups and include a discussion on the future of ambulatory case-mix.

Presentations: Examples of case-mix applications will demonstrate the results of studies from several countries, including Spain, Sweden, Malaysia, the UK and the US.

Audience: The workshop is intended for policy decision makers, payer organizations, health care managers, health care consultants, and all those interested in improving the delivery of primary care.

Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes