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# MEDICAL RECORD AUDIT WALKTHROUGH

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## What do you use medical records for?



Record of  
Patient Care



Payment



Peer  
Review



QAPI



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## § 416.47 Conditions for Coverage | Medical Records

### Evaluation of Medical Records

- Complete, comprehensive and accurate medical record
- The ASC must use the information contained in each medical record in order to assure that adequate care is delivered to each ASC patient.
- Review a sample of active and closed medical records for completeness and accuracy in accordance with Federal and State laws and regulations and ASC policy.



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## § 416.47 Conditions for Coverage | Medical Records

### Medical Record Content

- Patient identification;
- Significant medical history and results of physical examination;
- Pre-operative diagnostic studies (entered before surgery), if performed;
- Findings and techniques of the operation including a pathologist's report on all tissues removed during surgery, except those exempted by the governing body;



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## § 416.47 Conditions for Coverage | **Medical Records**

### Medical Record Content (continued)

- Any allergies and abnormal drug reactions;
- Entries related to anesthesia administration;
- Documentation of properly executed informed patient consent; and
- Discharge Diagnosis



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## Additional CMS Conditions for Coverage

- Physicians Orders for medications and biologicals
- Verbal orders and confirmation of verbal orders (RB&V)
- Advance Directive (if applicable)
- Copy of discharge instructions
- Anesthesia pre and post evaluation
- H&P



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## Interpretive Guidelines for Surveyor

### ABSENCE OF

### NONCOMPLIANCE

Any required element

**Must** be cited

**Standard-level**

Multiple elements from multiple medical records

**May** be cited

**Condition-level**

One element from multiple medical records

**Should** be cited

**Condition-level**

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## Goals of Medical Record Audit



**Improve your Clinical Performance**



**Manage Risk**

- Lack of orders and/or authenticated orders
- Informed Consent issues
- Patient care rendered without orders

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## QAPI

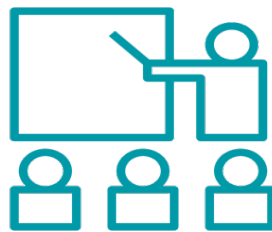
- Policy on Medical Records
- Identify Medical Record issues
- **Ongoing** (not a one-time measurement)
- **Measurable** performance or quality indicators
  - Outcomes: complications, infections
  - Process: timing of IV antibiotics
- **Data Driven**
- Analysis of issues and actions taken for problems



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## Medical Record Audit | Basic Guidelines

- Use a standardized form
- Train staff prior to assigning them to audit charts
- Bring results to QAPI Committee



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# Medical Record Audit Tool

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## MEDICAL RECORD AUDIT TOOL

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ALLERGIES/ABNORMAL REACTIONS & ADVANCE DIRECTIVES	YES ↓	NO ↓	PREOP PHONE CALL	YES ↓	NO ↓	PROGRESS NOTE	YES ↓	NO ↓
Noted in a prominent location & consistent with all clinical forms			Completed, dated and signed			Completed and signed, dated and timed by surgeon		
<b>ADMISSION</b>			<b>ANESTHESIA RECORD</b>			<b>PACU RECORD</b>		
Registration complete			Pre-op evaluation present			Vital signs noted		
Preop facility disclosure signed			Post-op evaluation present			Discharge scoring completed		
<b>HISTORY &amp; PHYSICAL</b>			Vital signs noted			Discharge time noted		
Allergies/abnormal rxns and medications, including dose and frequency included			Record signed			Complete and signed		
Complete and signed			Physical status noted			Evidence of discharge w/adult		
Dated on/before surgery (within 30 days)			Drugs given and dosages noted			Mode of transportation from OR noted		
Presurgical update note complete, signed, dated and timed by surgeon			Start and finish times noted and they match OR record			<b>PATHOLOGY REPORT</b>		
<b>ANESTHESIA CONSENT</b>			<b>PREOP RECORD</b>			<b>DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS</b>		
Includes planned anesthesia and provider administering anesthetic agents (can be included on surgical consent form)			Vital Signs, weight noted			Results present and signed/dated by surgeon		
<b>SURGICAL CONSENT</b>			Marking of Surgical Site indicated, including who marked the site.			Abnormal results reported to surgeon		
Consent w/ proposed procedure & statement confirming info given to pt. regarding the surgery			<b>OPERATIVE REPORT</b>			Signed by patient or responsible adult		
Signed, dated, timed and witnessed			Report present and signed, dated and timed by surgeon			Signed by the nurse		
<b>PHYSICIAN'S ORDERS</b>			Pre and post op diagnosis the same			<b>MEDICATIONS</b>		
Dated, signed and timed			<b>OPERATING ROOM RECORD</b>			All medications given in pre-op, OR and PACU are to be recorded as to the medication, route, dosage, time given, response to and signature of RN administering medication.		
Proposed procedure included for consent order			Completed and signed			<b>POST OP PHONE CALL</b>		
Preop, intraop and postop orders present			Time out documented			Completed, dated and signed		
Discharge order by surgeon			Use of safe surgical checklist &/or fire risk assessment documented, if utilized					
Noted by nurse with signature including date, time and signature			Medications administered documented					



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## MEDICAL RECORD AUDIT TOOL

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ASPECT OF CARE	MEDICAL RECORDS	DATE
INDICATOR	CHART REVIEW ( ten charts reviewed every quarter)	DATA COLLECTOR

### DEFICIENCIES:

	PATIENT ID#	COMMENTS
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		

Data Source: Patient Charts  
Data Collection Methodology / Sample Size: 10 Patient Charts  
Frequency Monitored: Quarterly



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# You audited...now what?

Staff and LIP  
Education

QI Study

Continue  
Auditing



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QI Study  
Samples

## eSupport/Operations/Quality Management/QI Study Library

### QI STUDY FORMATS AND SUGGESTIONS

- Quality Improvement Study Format Sample
- Quality Improvement Study Format Sample (AAAHC)
- Quality Improvement Study Suggestions

### QUALITY IMPROVEMENT STUDY SAMPLES

- Biohazardous Waste
- Biohazardous Waste Re-Study
- Case Cancellation
- CRNF (Closed Reduction Nasal Fracture Post-Operative Pain)
- Hand Hygiene 1
- Hand Hygiene 2
- I.C.E. (Limit Inflammation and Corneal Edema)
- R.I.C.E. (Limit Reoccurring Inflammation and Corneal Edema)
- Infection Control: Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection
- IV Necessity
- Medical Record Audits
- Medical Record Documentation 1
- Medical Record Documentation 2
- Medical Record Documentation 3
- OR Waste Tracking
- Patient Satisfaction
- Patient Wait Times
- Preop Wait Times
- Radiation Safety
- Sterilization Validation with Rigid Trays
- Surgery Scheduling
- Time Out
- Valium: EMR Documentation
- Vitrectomy Kit



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QI Study  
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## eSupport/Operations/Quality Management/QI Study Library

### Medical Record Documentation Quality Improvement Study <Facility Name>

**Name of Study:**

Medical Record Docum

**Definition:**

In <monthyear> we co-records did not meet o, discussed the findings i records forms and had missed information. We missed throughout the i quarterly chart audits as a random audit of 5% o

**Standard:**

100% medical records i

**Data Sources:**

45 randomly selected n

**Data Findings:**

20% of the medical reco

**Name of Study:**

Medical Record Documentation

**Definition:**

As part of <Facility Name>'s ar conjunction with peer review of of the 57 medical records revie was considerably lower than th completeness in medical recor charts to be selected for a ranc reviewed revealed incomplete

**Performance Goal:**

100% of medical records will b

**Data Collection:**

A minimum of 5 charts from ea reviewed for completeness and ongoing peer review program, selected and reviewed from <d reviewed and assessed by the

### Medical Record Documentation Quality Improvement Study <Facility Name> <Applicable Dates>

**Name of Study:**

Medical Record Documen

**Definition:**

30% of the medical recor was inserviced regardi <quarter> random QA auc random chart audit of 20 c

**Standard:**

100% medical records will

**Data Sources:**

20 randomly selected mex

**Data Findings:**

70% of the medical recor

### Medical Record Documentation Quality Improvement Study <Facility Name> <Applicable Dates>

### Medical Record Audits Quality Improvement Study <Facility Name> <Applicable Dates>

**Purpose:**

The purpose of the study is to evaluate the process and procedure of medical record audits prior to day of surgery. During pre-auditing, multiple medical records were found to have missing document(s), incomplete documentation, and/or documentation errors. This study is important to our facility in that the lack of complete documentation can result in interference of patient care, reimbursement, statistics, financial planning, and clinical data. The real concern with the medical record errors is patient care delays and time spent by staff having to correct these errors.

**Performance Goal:**

Our performance goal is to be able to achieve less than 5% errors.

**Data Collection Plan:**

Data for medical record audits will be collected from <monthyear> through <monthyear>. In order to determine <Facility Name>'s compliance with medical record documentation, a checklist was generated for staff to utilize while performing a pre-audit prior to the day of surgery (See Attachment A).



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## Questions



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