Overnight discharges from the mental health and addiction service organisation’s acute inpatient unit(s) that result in readmission within 28 days of discharge

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Outcome

Improved management of demand for acute care.

Measure

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Type

Contributory measure

Relationship(s) to other frameworks


Rationale

Psychiatric inpatient services aim to provide treatment that enables individuals to return to the community as soon as possible. Unplanned admissions to a psychiatric facility following a recent discharge may indicate that inpatient treatment was either incomplete or ineffective, or that follow-up care was inadequate to maintain the person out of hospital. In this sense, they potentially point to deficiencies in the functioning of the overall system.

Eligible population

Adults receiving mental health services who have spent at least one bed night in an inpatient unit

Measure status

Active

Numerator

Total number of acute inpatient overnight discharges in the reference period that are followed by a readmission within 28 days
**Denominator**
Total number of acute inpatient unit discharges in the reference period

**National target**

**Local target**
Milestones to be decided by Alliance

**Data Sources**
PRIMHD (Programme for the Integration of Mental Health Data) national collection

**Data extracted from data sources**
Available through District Health Board (DHB)

**Data availability**
Available through DHB and the Ministry of Health’s Key Performance Indicator team.

**Measure calculation process**
Minimum inpatient unit stays : 1 night
Excludes readmission from same day events PRIMHD Referral End Code is not one of this :

- DD Deceased
- DM Did not attend following a referral

or
PRIMHD Referral End Code is not one of :

- DT Discharged to another healthcare organisation
- DW Discharged to other service within the same organisation

and
PRIMHD Referral To Codes is not one of :

- PI Psychiatric inpatient or
- AE Accident & Emergency