FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Measure 397: Melanoma Reporting FAQs

Is this measure reportable via claims?

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Can I report on this measure if I get a copy of the biopsy pathology but do not create the biopsy report? No, only the dermatopathologist can report on this measure.

Do I have to report this measure every time a specimen is diagnosed as melanoma?

Yes, this measure must be reported at every eligible encounter.

Can I report melanoma in situ in this measure?

No, melanoma in situ does not qualify for this measure.

Are there any exceptions in the measure?

Yes, medical exceptions are included in this measure, such as negative skin biopsies in a patient with a history of melanoma.

