Cataract clinical care standard indicators: 5 Evidence of a locally approved protocol to prioritise patients for cataract surgery according to clinical need



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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Indicator Indicator type: Indicator

Short name: Indicator 5 - Evidence of a locally approved protocol to prioritise patients for

cataract surgery according to clinical need

METEOR identifier: 711426

Registration status: Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 17/08/2021

Description: Evidence of a locally approved protocol to prioritise patients for cataract surgery

according to clinical need.

Indicator set: Clinical care standard indicators: Cataract

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Collection and usage attributes

Computation description: The protocol should specify the process to prioritise patients according to clinical

need using a systematic, transparent method that takes into account the patient's:

• Visual impairment and vision-related activity limitations

Co-morbidity

· Potential harms from delayed surgery, and

• Potential to benefit from cataract surgery.

This protocol should apply where there is a waiting list for cataract surgery.

Use of the National Elective surgery prioritisation criteria reference alone is not sufficient evidence, as even within those categories, prioritisation should apply.

Computation: A healthcare setting where surgery is provided to patients with cataract which has a

documented process should record 'Yes'. Otherwise, the healthcare setting should

record 'No'.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Count

Data type: Real

Unit of measure: Service event

Format: Yes/No

Accountability attributes

Other issues caveats: Applicable settings: public and private ophthalmology clinics and practices, and

public and private hospitals.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care