



## PDI #17 Perforated Appendix Admission Rate

Area-Level Indicator

### Numerator

Discharges ages 1 to 17 years with ICD-9-CM diagnosis code for perforations or abscesses of appendix in any field.

*ICD-9-CM Perforated Appendix diagnosis codes (outcome of interest):*

5400	AC APPEND W PERITONITIS	5401	ABSCESS OF APPENDIX
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Exclude cases:

- transfer from other institution,
- age less than 1 year
- MDC 14 (pregnancy, childbirth, and puerperium)

See *Pediatric Quality Indicators Appendices*:

- Appendix J – Admission Codes for Transfers

### Denominator

All non-maternal discharges ages 1 to 17 years in Metro Area or county with diagnosis code for appendicitis in any field.

*ICD-9-CM Appendicitis diagnosis codes (population at risk):*

5400	AC APPEND W PERITONITIS	5409	ACUTE APPENDICITIS NOS
5401	ABSCESS OF APPENDIX	541	APPENDICITIS NOS