

Polypharmacy: 65+

I4C Indicator MED-SNRS-001: Polypharmacy: 65+ v 1.1

Category: Medication Management/Seniors

Purpose:

This indicator is used to identify senior patients (65 years and older) prescribed multiple medications.

Source:

Based on the HQO indicator framework version published October 2015 and modified to incorporate BC's Health Data Coalition indicators on long-term medications in patients age 65+.

Base Population:

All patients age 65 and older with an Active demographic status recorded in the EMR.

Indicator Segments:

Less than 10 current prescriptions: Count of patients age 65 and older with less than ten current prescriptions documented.

10 or more current prescriptions: Count of patients age 65 and older with at least ten current prescriptions documented.

Current prescription is **any** medication that is a current (not discontinued) medication.

Suggested Indicator Use:

Physician or Practice use of this indicator is to identify or recall seniors who are on numerous medications.