

2024 Advanced Illness & Frailty Guide

Who qualifies? Quality measures may not benefit older adults with limited life expectancy and advanced illness. Additionally unnecessary tests or treatments could burden these patients or even be harmful.

Advanced illness and frailty codes can only be submitted by coding. Supplemental and medical record data may not be used for these exclusions.

To be excluded, the patient must be 66 (age 67 for OMW) as of December 31st of the measurement year with:

- At **least two frailty diagnosis codes** dropped on two different dates of service during the measurement year,
AND
 - **At least two advanced illness diagnoses** captured on two different dates of service during the measurement year or the year prior,
 - **OR** dispensed a dementia medication during the measurement year or the year prior: Donepezil, Donepezil-memantine, galantamine, rivastigmine or memantine.
- OR**
- Enrolled in an Institutional skilled nursing facility or living long-term in an institution any time during the measurement year.
- OR**
- Living long-term in an institution any time during the measurement year as identified by the LTI flag in the Monthly Membership Detail Data File. Use the run date of the file to determine if a member had an LTI flag during the measurement year.

What HEDIS quality measures allow Advanced Illness & Frailty exclusions?

Patients aged 66 and older can be excluded, if they have both advanced illness and frailty, from the following measures:

- Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)
- Colorectal Cancer Screening (COL)
- Statin Therapy for Patients with Cardiovascular Disease (SPC)
- **Glycemic Status Assessment for Patients with Diabetes (the measure formerly known as Hemoglobin A1c Control with Diabetes)**
- Controlling Blood Pressure (CBP)*
- Eye Exam for Patients with Diabetes (EED)
- Osteoporosis Management in Women Who Had a Fracture (OMW)*
- Kidney Health Evaluation for Patients with Diabetes (KED)*

**Patients aged 81 and older can be excluded with frailty alone for these measures.*

Which dementia medications will exclude patients?

Description	Prescription
Cholinesterase inhibitors	- Donepezil - Galantamine - Rivastigmine
Miscellaneous central nervous system agents	Memantine
Dementia combinations	Donepezil-memantine

Common Advanced Illness Codes

Emphysema	J43.0, J43.1, J43.2, J43.8, J43.9, J68.4, J98.2, J98.3
Pulmonary Fibrosis	J84.10, J84.112, J84.17
Other Respiratory	J96.10, J96.11, J96.12, J96.20, J96.21, J96.22, J96.90, J96.91, J96.92
Dementia	F01.50, F01.51, F02.80, F02.81, F03.90, F03.91, F04, F10.96, F10.97, G31.01, G31.09, G31.83
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease	A81.00, A81.01, A81.09
Alzheimer's	G30.0, G30.1, G30.8, G30.9
Parkinson's Huntington's	G10, G12.21, G20
CKD Stage 5/ ESRD	I12.0, I13.11, I13.2, N18.5, N18.6
Alcohol and Hepatic Disease	K70.10, K70.11, K70.2, K70.30, K70.31, K70.40, K70.41, K70.9, K74.0, K74.1, K74.2, K74.4, K74.5, K74.60, K74.69
Heart Failure (Acute & Chronic)	I09.81, I11.0, I12.0, I13.0, I13.11, I13.2, I50.1, I50.20, I50.21, I50.22, I50.23, I50.30, I50.31, I50.32, I50.33, I50.40, I50.41, I50.42, I50.43, I50.810, I50.811, I50.812, I50.813, I50.814, I50.82, I50.83, I50.84, I50.89, I50.9
Cancer	Leukemia (not having achieved remission or in relapse); Malignant neoplasm of brain, pancreas; Secondary and unspecified malignant neoplasm of lymph nodes, lung, mediastinum, pleura, other respiratory organs, small intestine, large intestine and rectum, peritoneum and retroperitoneum, liver and hepatic bile ducts; Secondary malignant neoplasm of other digestive organs, kidney and renal pelvis, bladder, other urinary organs, skin, brain, cerebral meninges, other parts of nervous system, bone, bone marrow, ovary, adrenal gland, breast, genital organs, other specific sites, other unspecified sites;

Common Frailty Codes

Pressure Ulcers (Stages 1-4)	L89.000 through I89.90-96
Home Oxygen/ Ventilator Respiratory Devices	99504 - Home visit for mechanical ventilation care [Z99.11] Dependence on respirator [ventilator] status [Z99.81] Dependence on supplemental oxygen [E0465, E0466, E0470-0472] Home ventilator/ PPV/ Respiratory Assist Device [E0424-25, 0430-31, 0433-35, 0439-44] Oxygen
Living in LTC Facility	[Z59.3] Problems related to living in residential institution [Y92.199] Unspecified place in other specified residential institution as the place of occurrence of the external cause
ADLs/ Home Care	[Z74.1] Need for assistance with personal care [Z74.2] Need for assistance at home and no other household member able to render care [Z74.3] Need for continuous supervision [Z74.8] Other problems related to care provider dependency [Z74.9] Problem related to care provider dependency, unspecified [E0163, 0165, 0167-68, 0170-71] Commode Chair [E0250-51, 0255-56, 0260-61, 0265-66, E0270, 0290-97, 0301-04, 0462] Hospital Bed [G0162, G0299, G0300, G0493, G0494, S0271, S0311, S9123, S9124, T1000, T1001-1005, T1019, T1020- 1022, T1030, T1031] Home Health Skilled Nursing Services
Falls	[W01.0XXA - W01.198S] Fall on same level from slipping, tripping, and stumbling [W06.XXXA-XXS] Fall from bed [W07.XXXA-XXS] Fall from chair [W08.XXXA-XXS] Fall from other furniture [W10.0XXA-XXS] Fall from escalator [W10.1-10.9XXA-XXS] Fall from sidewalk curb, incline, stairs and steps [W18.00-18.09XA-XS] Striking against unspecified/other object or glass with subsequent fall [W18.11-18.12XA-XS] Fall from or off toilet [W18.2XXA-XXS] Fall in shower or bathtub [W18.30-18.39XA-XS] Fall on same level, unspecified or due to stepping on object [W19.XXXA-XXS] Unspecified Fall [Z91.81] History of falling
Mobility Issues	[R26.2] Difficulty in walking, not elsewhere classified [R26.89] Other abnormalities of gait and mobility [R26.9] Unspecified abnormalities of gait and mobility [Z74.09] Other reduced mobility [R54] Age-related physical debility [Z99.3] Dependence on wheelchair [Z73.6] Limitation of activities due to disability [Z74.01] Bed confinement status [Z74.09] Other reduced mobility [E0100, 0105, 0130, 0135, 0140-141, 0143-144, 0147-149] Cane/ Walker [E1130, 1140, 1150, 1160-61, 1170-1172, 1180, 1190, 1195, 1200, 1220, 1240, 1250, 1260, 1270, 1280, 1285, 1290, 1295-98] Wheelchair
Failure to Thrive	[R53.1] Weakness [R53.81] Other malaise [R62.7] Adult failure to thrive [R63.4] Abnormal weight loss [R63.6] Underweight [R64] Cachexia [M62.50] Muscle wasting and atrophy, not elsewhere classified, unspecified site [M62.81] Muscle weakness (generalized) [M62.84] Sarcopenia

How to Use the CDI Frailty Order Set



The **VM: Frailty (CDI)** order set can assist in the correct reporting of advanced illness and frailty diagnoses.



The screenshot shows the 'DIAGNOSES & ORDERS' section. A search bar contains 'cdi' (1). Below it, a list of order sets is shown: 'VM: Diabetes with other (CDI) (2)', 'VM: Frailty (CDI) (15)' (2), and 'VM: Immunodeficiency due to drugs (CDI) (1)'. A 'Preview or modify order set' button is next to the 'VM: Frailty (CDI) (15)' entry. A purple arrow points from this button to the 'VM: Frailty (CDI)' order set details. In the details view, a 'Select all' checkbox is checked (3). A list of diagnoses is shown, all of which are checked (4). At the bottom, there are 'Cancel' and 'Add to Orders' buttons (5).

1. Search CDI in the assessment and navigate to the **VM: Frailty (CDI)** order set.
2. Click the **Fly Out** button to preview/modify the order set.
3. By default, all options will be selected. Make sure to uncheck the **Select all** box.
4. If applicable, select **Frailty** and at least **one** of the other populated diagnoses.
5. Click **Add to Orders**.