

# HQIC Patient Safety: Adverse Drug Events

## Welcome!

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- For technical issues, chat to 'All Panelists'
- Please be aware that this event will be recorded

## We will get started shortly!



# HQIC Adverse Drug Events: Data Access and Definitions



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# Welcome from all of us!





# Adverse Drug Event Co-Leads

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# Learning Objectives

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# Combined ADE Performance Groupings

4. Reduce ADE (Measure 2.4)	
Groups	# Hospitals
0-6.9% Reduction	5
7-12.9% Reduction	5
Greater than 13% Reduction	42
Maintaining Zero Rate	31
Worsening	67
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>

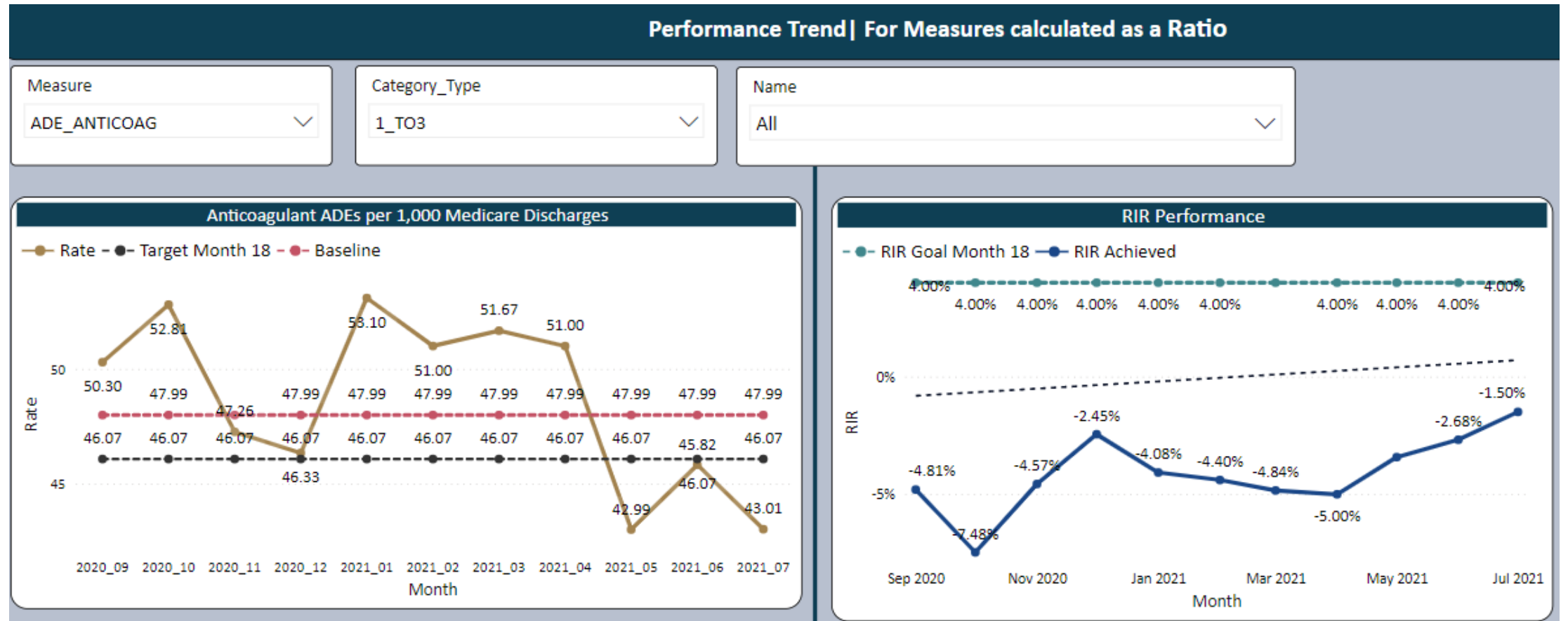


# Anticoagulant ADE Measure Definition

Measure Name	Anticoagulant Related Adverse Drug Events per 1,000 Acute Inpatient Admissions
Flat File Measure Name	ADE_ANTICOAG
Measure Type	Outcome
Measure Description	Adverse Drug Events (ADEs) related to Anticoagulants found in an inpatient claim not present on admission (POA)
Numerator	Number of admissions with an ICD-10 code for an Anticoagulant ADE documented that was not present on admission
Denominator	Number of Medicare FFS discharges
Denominator Exclusions	None
Rate Calculation	$(\text{number of admissions with an Anticoagulant ADE not POA} / \text{number of Medicare FFS discharges}) \times 1000$
Data Sources	Medicare FFS part A claims
Specifications/Definitions/Recommendations	See HQIC_ICD10_Codes.xlsx for list of Anticoagulant ADEs
Baseline Period	Calendar Year 2019
Reporting Period	Monthly beginning Sep 2020

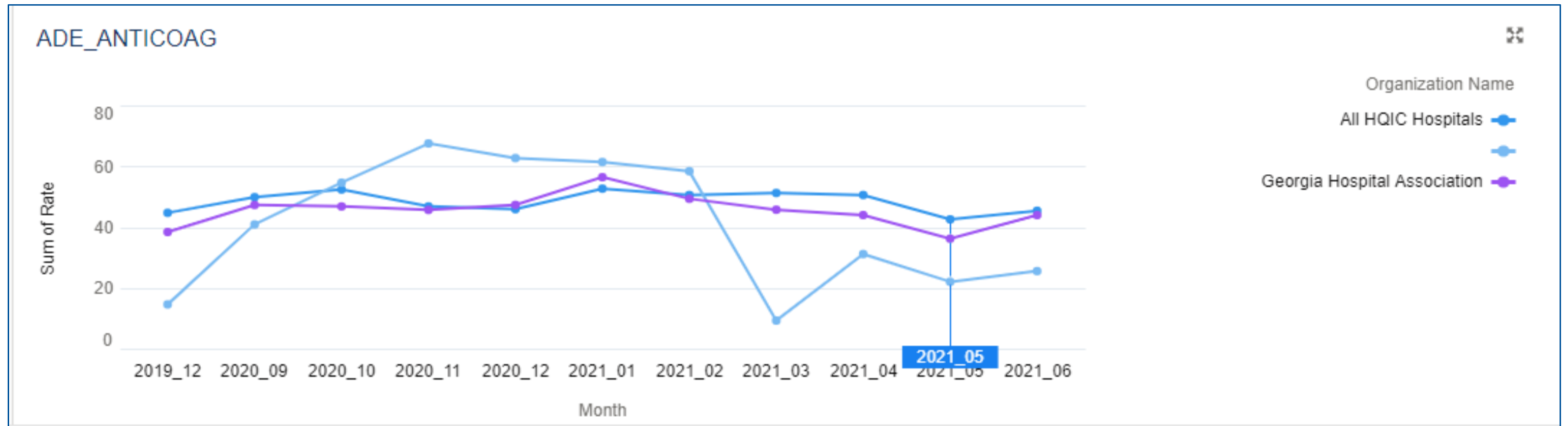


# Comprehensive Anticoagulant ADE Rate and RIR





# Hospital Specific ADE Anticoag Rate – Portal Access View



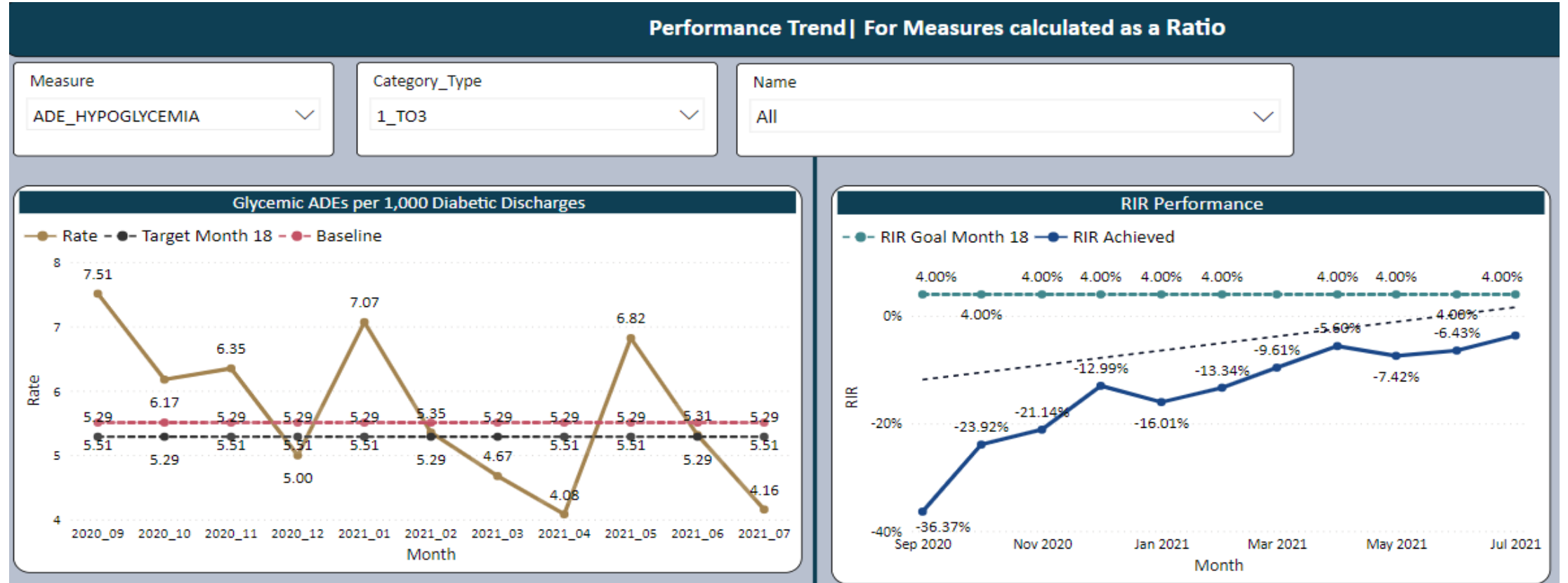


# Hypoglycemic ADE Measure Definition

<b>Measure Name</b>	<b>Hypoglycemic Related Adverse Drug Events per 1,000 Acute Inpatient Admissions with Diabetes</b>
<b>Flat File Measure Name</b>	ADE_DIABETES
<b>Measure Type</b>	Outcome
<b>Measure Description</b>	Adverse Drug Events (ADEs) related to Hypoglycemia found in an inpatient diabetic claim not present on admission (POA)
<b>Numerator</b>	Number of admissions with an Hypoglycemic ADE documented not present on admission
<b>Denominator</b>	Number of Medicare FFS discharges where a claim for diabetes was present as a primary or secondary diagnosis
<b>Denominator Exclusions</b>	Medicare FFS claims without a primary or secondary diagnosis of diabetes
<b>Rate Calculation</b>	$\left( \frac{\text{number of diabetic admissions with a Hypoglycemic ADE not POA}}{\text{number of Medicare FFS discharges with a dx of diabetes}} \right) \times 1000$
<b>Data Sources</b>	Medicare FFS part A claims
<b>Specifications/Definitions/Recommendations</b>	See HQIC_ICD10_Codes.xlsx for list of Hypoglycemic ADEs and Diagnosis Codes for Diabetes
<b>Baseline Period</b>	Calendar Year 2019
<b>Reporting Period</b>	Monthly beginning Sep 2020

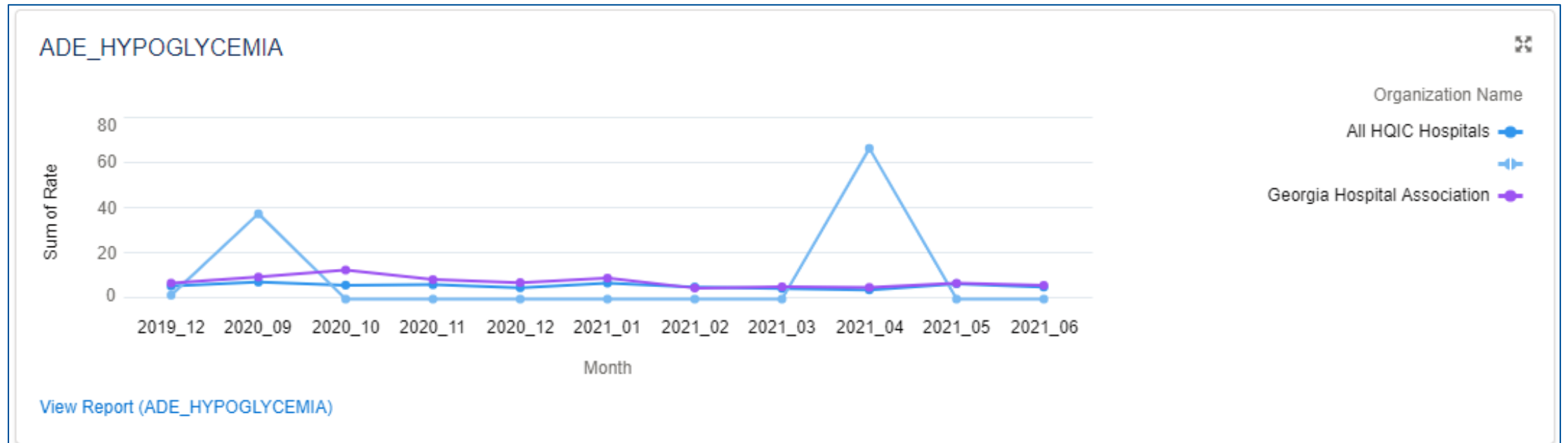


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# Anticoagulation Interventions

	ADE - Anticoagulants
<b>Pharmacy Led Interventions</b>	Anticoagulation Stewardship by Pharmacist
	Warfarin dosage adjustments were made based upon known drug-drug interactions.
	Warfarin dosage adjustments were made based upon known food-drug interactions.
<b>Lab Value Based Interventions</b>	An INR was obtained and resulted before the first inpatient dose was ordered.
	Daily INRs were obtained.
	Critical Lab values called to nursing unit directly.
	Dosage adjustments were made based on the last daily INR result.
	Schedule post-discharge INR appointment before leaving hospital and transition to outpatient Coumadin clinic or PCP.
<b>Protocol Based Interventions</b>	Utilize a standard Coumadin dosing protocol.
	Utilize a standard Lovenox dosing protocol.
	Establish evidence-based process for reversal of bleeding events related to anticoagulant medications.
<b>Education Based Interventions</b>	Warfarin counseling by pharmacists for all patients who have sub or supra-therapeutic INR on admission.
	Patient education by nurse for all maintenance Coumadin patients will INR in range on admission.
	Patient education by pharmacist for all new start Coumadin patients.



# Glycemic Interventions

	ADE – Glycemic Agents
<b>Pharmacy Led Interventions</b>	Establish process for administering insulin supplied by pharmacy – not using home meds while inpatient.
	Establish double check system for U-500 administration.
<b>Prescriber Led Interventions</b>	Patient was NOT receiving Sliding Scale Insulin alone.
	If Glucose < 100 occurred, the insulin regimen was reduced.
	Multidisciplinary Diabetes Safety Team
<b>Notification/Documentation Interventions</b>	Notification process for patients who are prescribed BG lowering agents who are suddenly NPO.
	Notification process for patients who have BG < 100.
	Documentation exists showing appropriate meal-insulin coordination.(insulin within 15 minutes before or after meal delivery to patient)
	Review nutritional intake documentation and confirm accuracy.
<b>Education Based Interventions</b>	Discharge counseling for all patients who received glucose elevating or glucose-lowering agents on admission.
	Patient education related to insulin written by dietician and computer-generated at discharge.



# Future ADE Series Schedule

Date	Main Topic	Interventions Covered	High Performing Hospital
November 30	Data/Portal	Overview of All	
December 28	Anticoagulants	Lovenox protocol	Russell Medical Center
January 25	Glycemics	Prescriber Led – focus on SS/Basal Insulin	
February 22	Anticoagulants	Coumadin protocol	
March 22	Glycemics	Notification/Documentation	
April 26	Anticoagulants	Lab Value Based Interventions	



# Resources

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## Alliant/HQIC Portal Training Videos

- Registration and Multi-Factor Authentication:  
<http://youtu.be/qSDHMpcFbNc?hd=1>
- Portal Navigation and Feature Overview:  
<http://youtu.be/vEvpgaMIXRs?hd=1>



# Key Takeaways



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**How will this change what you do? Please tell us in the chat.**



# Questions?


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# HQIC Goals



## Behavioral Health Outcomes & Opioid Misuse

- ✓ Promote opioid best practices
- ✓ Decrease high dose opioid prescribing and opioid adverse events in all settings
- ✓ Increase access to behavioral health services



## Patient Safety

- ✓ Reduce risky medication combinations
- ✓ Reduce adverse drug events
- ✓ Reduce *C. diff* in all settings



## Quality of Care Transitions

- ✓ Convene community coalitions
- ✓ Identify and promote optimal care for super utilizers
- ✓ Reduce community-based adverse drug events



# Upcoming Events

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**December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**12:30pm EST**

**(occurring the fourth Tuesday of each month)**



Anticoagulant and Glycemic ADE Patient Safety Network

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**How did we do today?**



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