The American College of Cardiology's

Heart Failure v4 Accreditation



ACC's Heart Failure Accreditation utilizes the principles of Value-Based Purchasing to help facilities avoid penalties and optimize reimbursement. Improved patient satisfaction is another highly anticipated benefit of accreditation.

The Value of HF Accreditation:

ACC's Heart Failure (HF) Accreditation tool is the result of exemplary work by globally recognized clinical experts in heart failure. The tool provides an an operational model that merges the latest science and process improvement methodologies across the continuum of care for heart failure patients.

The built-in Accreditation Conformance Database (ACD) manages patient data and calculates performance and outcomes based on guideline-directed medical therapies and clinical best practices. In lieu of using the ACD, other reports tracking HF quality improvement metrics may be accepted.



A comprehensive quality improvement solution for hospitals and systems of care.

Enhanced Guidance, Improved Outcomes



Ensure positive clinical trajectory for patients by identifying barriers to reduce length-of-stay



Incorporates heart failure guidelines and other evidence-based science with quality initiatives



Detailed guidance statements, access to resources, and examples of shared practices for Essential Components



Focused approach to reduce mortality, decrease readmissions, and improve patient satisfaction

An Outpatient Services designation has been established for facilities that demonstrate implementation of transitional care initiatives to monitor patient compliance and lessen the risk of readmission.

Heart Failure v4 Accreditation

Clinical

Quality

Transitions

of Care

The Essential Process Improvement Components Encompass:

Continuous process improvement in all aspects of care.

Implement proven practices and ensure optimal clinical processes with your ___ multidisciplinary team.

Examine data metrics to set goals, track and validate performance, and evaluate continuity of care.

Coordinate discharge process and followup care for patient/ family education. Increase heart failure awareness with community specific education, screenings, and outreach.

Outreach

Early

Stabilizati<u>on</u>

Integrate out-of-hospital interventions
Hospital Care delivered by first responders.

Speed diagnosis and treatment to relieve HF symptoms, disposition, and patient flow.

Utilize guideline-directed medical therapies and standardize protocol use to reduce variances of care.

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Acute

Care

Get Started



Purchase HF Accreditation Services



Schedule time to complete HF Accreditation training



Ask us how HF Accreditation brings you one step closer to becoming an ACC HeartCARE Center™



Contact us – we're here to help you!

Your Partners in Accreditation

Our Accreditation Review Specialists guide you through the assessment and step-by-step process towards acheiving accreditation for your HF program – without intimidating scrutiny or daunting penalties for non-compliance.

Through their counsel and the use of the HF Accreditation tool, you'll learn to:

- ✓ Implement evidence-based medicine to support decision making in care of individual patients
- ✓ Track key performance metrics and identify opportunities for improvement

To learn about other accreditations available through ACC Accreditation Services, please visit our website **Accreditation.ACC.org.**