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MCG Care Guidelines 25th Edition

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Effective September 1, 2021, we will upgrade to the 25th edition of MCG care guidelines for the following modules: Inpatient & Surgical Care (ISC), General Recovery Care (GRC), Chronic Care (CC) and Recovery Facility Care (RFC). The below tables highlight new guidelines and changes that may be considered more restrictive.

Goal Length of Stay (GLOS) for Inpatient & Surgical Care (ISC)

Guideline	MCG Code	24th Edition GLOS	25th Edition GLOS
Aortic Coarctation, Angioplasty	S-152	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative	Ambulatory
Cardiac Septal Defect: Atrial, Transcatheter Closure	W0016	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative	Ambulatory
Esophageal Diverticulectomy, Endoscopic	S-445	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative	Ambulatory
Gastrectomy, Partial - Billroth I or II	S-510	4 or 6 days postoperative	5 days postoperative
Hernia Repair (Non-Hiatal)	S-1305	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative	Ambulatory
Pancreatectomy	S-1200	5 or 7 days postoperative	6 days postoperative
Pyloroplasty and Vagotomy	S-990	4 or 6 days postoperative	4 days postoperative
Cervical Laminectomy	W0097	2 days postoperative	Ambulatory or 2 days postoperative
Lumbar Diskectomy, Foraminotomy, or Laminotomy	W0091	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative	Ambulatory
Removal of Posterior Spinal Instrumentation	S-530	1 day postoperative	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative
Shoulder Hemiarthroplasty	W0138	1 day postoperative	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative
Spine, Scoliosis, Posterior Instrumentation, Pediatric	W0156	4 days postoperative	3 days postoperative
Bladder Resection: Cystectomy with Urinary Diversion, Conduit or Continent	S-190	5 or 6 days postoperative	5 days postoperative

Guideline	MCG Code	24 th Edition GLOS	25 th Edition GLOS
Prostatectomy, Transurethral Resection (TURP)	S-970	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative	Ambulatory
Urethroplasty	S-1172	Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative	Ambulatory

New Guidelines for Recovery Facility Care (RFC)

Body System	Guideline Title	MCG - Code
Cardiology	Hypertension	M-5197
Cardiology	Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD)	M-7087
Nephrology	Rhabdomyolysis	M-7095
Nephrology	Encephalopathy	M-7100
Thoracic Surgery	Rib Fracture	M-5545

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