# What's the Joint Commission Changing About Breastfeeding Measurement?



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### **Webinar Objectives**

By the end of this webinar, participants will:

- understand the current Joint Commission breastfeeding measure,
   and
- know how to document and abstract data for the measure.



# The Joint Commissions' Perinatal Core Measures

- PC-01 Elective Delivery
- PC-02 Cesarean Birth

PC-03 Antenatal Steroids

 PC-04 Health Care-Associated Bloodstream Infections in Newborns

PC-05 Exclusive Breast Milk Feeding



# The Joint Commissions' Perinatal Core Measures

Mandatory for hospitals with ≥ 1100 birth / year

 Mandatory for hospitals seeking certification, regardless of # births / year



#### **PC05: Exclusive Breast Milk Feeding**

Newborns that were fed breast milk only since birth

Single term newborns discharged alive from the hospital



#### **Included Population**

Single Liveborn Newborns



#### **Excluded Populations**

- Admitted to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)
- Galactosemia
- Parenteral nutrition
- Experienced death
- Length of stay >120 days
- Enrolled in clinical trials
- Transferred to another hospital
- Preterm / <36.6 weeks</li>



#### A Word on NICU

- AAP: NICU is defined as a hospital unit providing critical care services which is organized with personnel and equipment to provide continuous life support and comprehensive care for extremely high-risk newborn infants and those with complex and critical illness.
- NOT defined by level designation
- NOT defined by title
- Excludes newborns admitted for observation (no time limit)
- Excludes newborns admitted for transitional care (≤ 4 hours)



# IMPORTANT Other Clinical Indications

 Knowing indications for supplementation, mother-baby separations, delayed / early cessation of skin-to-skin will help guide your improvements.

• For Joint Commission, these other reasons for supplementation are NOT excluded.

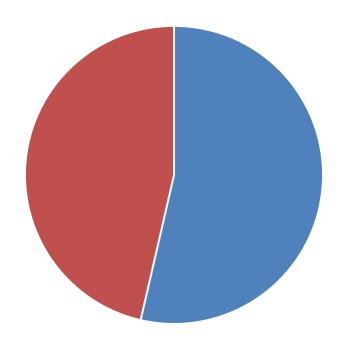


### **Monthly Sample Size**

Average Monthly Initial Patient Population "N"	Minimum Required  Sample Size  "n"
≥ 516	104
131 – 515	20% of the Initial Patient Population
26 – 130	26
< 26	No sampling; 100% of the Patient Population is required



#### Performance: 2013 National Average



- Exclusively Breast Milk Fed (53.6%)
- Not Exclusively Breast Milk Fed (46.4%)



### **Questions?**







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### Reporting

Please report monthly, by the 15<sup>th</sup>

Use Data Collection Form to gather info

 Submit data to us online: tinyurl.com/CHAMPSData

If no census-level report, audit a sample



#### **Mis-Match Documentation**

 If your measure doesn't match the CHAMPS definition YET, submit the data you have and write a note explaining what your data measures.

#### Example:

- ANY skin-to-skin versus
- Skin-to-skin immediately and through first feed / at least 1 hour if EFF



# Required Measures All Aggregate and By Race/Ethnicity

- Breastfeeding initiation
- Exclusive human milk feeding (JC PC05)
- Skin-to-skin after cesarean
- Skin-to-skin after vaginal birth
- Rooming-in



#### Race and Ethnicity

 All data is to be reported as aggregate, and disaggregated by race/ethnicity.

 CHAMPS recommends using birth certificate data for infant's race.

- Categories
  - African American, Non-Hispanic
  - Hispanic,
  - White, Non-Hispanic
  - Other



# **Exclusive Human Milk Feeding** (i.e. Joint Commission PC05)

 MEASURE: Percent of infants receiving human milk feedings exclusively throughout hospital stay (from birth to discharge)



### **Breastfeeding Initiation**

MEASURE: Percent of infants who receive mother's own milk at least once during hospital stay (from birth to discharge)



### Skin-to-Skin – Vaginal Births

MEASURE: Percent of infants born vaginally who are placed skin-to-skin with their mothers immediately after birth, and continue uninterrupted until completion of first feeding (or for at least one hour if exclusively formula-feeding)



#### Skin-to-Skin - Cesarean Births

MEASURE: Percent of infants born by cesarean who are placed skin-to-skin with their mothers as soon as mothers are responsive and alert, and continue uninterrupted until completion of first feeding (or for at least one hour if exclusively formula-feeding)



#### Rooming-In

**MEASURE:** Percentage of dyads rooming-in 24 hours/day, throughout the entire hospital stay, from birth through discharge.



#### **Optional Measures for CHAMPS**

- Staff training completion rates
- Prenatal education
- Breastfeeding assessment and instruction
- Manual milk expression
- Expressing for babies in special care
- Safe formula use instruction
- Bottle-top use
- Pacifier use
- Support upon discharge
- NICU Any human milk

NOTE: "Optional Measures for CHAMPS" are included because they are required by Baby-Friendly USA if seeking designation (except "NICU-Any human milk"). It will likely benefit your facility to implement these documentation and measurement practices with CHAMPS support.



## Thoughts?







