



## NQF ENDORSED MEASURE #0470 INCIDENCE OF EPISIOTOMY

In 2008, NPIC partnered with Matthew Hoffman, MD, Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Linda Daniel, RN, MSN, Director of Performance Improvement and Care Management for the Women's & Children's Service Line at Christiana Care Health Services (Newark, DE) to submit the Incidence of Episiotomy to the National Quality Forum for measure endorsement.

**Measure Type:** Process

**Level of Analysis:** Facility

**Setting of Care:** Hospital/Acute Care Facility

**Data Source:** Administrative claims, paper medical records

**Measure Description:** Percentage of vaginal deliveries (excluding those coded with shoulder dystocia) during which an episiotomy is performed

MEASURE DEFINITION	
<b>Numerator</b>	Number of episiotomy procedures performed (ICD-9 codes 72.1, 72.21, 72.31, 72.71, 73.6; ICD-10 code 0W8NXZZ)
<b>Denominator</b>	Total number of vaginal deliveries
<b>Exclusion</b>	Deliveries coded with shoulder dystocia (ICD-9 code 660.41; ICD-10 code O66.0)

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