

eAppendix 6. Head and Neck Cancer Care (Quality Indicators and Timeliness Measures)

Diagnosis, Treatment, and Management of Head & Neck Cancer and Its Complications

- DTM1: Patients with newly diagnosed Head & Neck cancer completed or had Neck CT-Scan for staging
- DTM2: Patient with newly diagnosed Head & Neck cancer had triple endoscopy completed as part of their cancer evaluation
- DTM3: For patients with head & neck cancer final stage is documented before receiving definitive therapy
- DTM4: Patients with laryngeal cancer who are qualified for organ preservation (stage III – IVA)
- DTM5: Patient who completed therapy for head & neck cancer with no evidence of disease (NED) are followed with surveillance on regular basis with ENT

Timeliness Measures

- T1: Time from patient presented with symptoms of head & neck cancer to ENT consult completed
- T2: Time from ENT consult completed to biopsy done in newly diagnosed head & neck cancer patients
- T3: Time from positive biopsy for head & neck cancer to start on treatment
- T4: Time from treatment completion to first CT-scan of neck (post therapy completion) to needs to be within 8 weeks