

Broward Regional Health Planning Council Releases Prevention Quality Indicators for Florida's 67 Counties



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Fort Lauderdale, FL – Broward Regional Health Planning Council, Inc. (BRHPC) announces the release of the *Florida Prevention Quality Indicators (PQI) Profile* for all Florida counties. The profile examines hospitalizations occurring between 2004 and 2007 that may have been preventable with the utilization of high quality primary and preventive care. Prevention of these hospitalizations requires effective clinician diagnosis and treatment as well as patients actively participating in their care and adopting healthy lifestyle behaviors.

Health policy and planning administrators may utilize this profile to establish benchmarks and to identify target areas for quality improvement. Results are based on the [Florida Agency for Health Care Administration \(AHCA\)](#) database and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's (AHRQ) [Prevention Quality Indicators \(PQIs\)](#). All data presented in this profile are adjusted for the age and gender distribution of the population.

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BRHPC developed a web-based data warehouse and analytic engine which includes the following query module functions: Prevention Quality Indicators/Avoidable Admission, Chronic Conditions (ICD-9), Suicide Incidence, ED Acuity Stratification (CPT) and NYU Algorithm ED Preventable/Avoidable can also be generated. To access this additional information, please log in to the Health Data Warehouse located on BRHPC's website (www.brhpc.org) at the following link <http://healthdata.brhpc.org/Index.aspx>. Through the Health Data Warehouse, a variety of reports can be generated, including PQIs by gender, age group, race/ethnicity and payer source. The information contained in the Health Data Warehouse can be a valuable community planning tool which BRHPC encourages organizations to utilize.

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