

HOSPITAL STANDARDIZED MORTALITY RATIO (HSMR)

DEFINITION: HSMR is the ratio of the actual number of acute in- hospital deaths to the expected number of in- hospital deaths for conditions accounting for 80% of inpatient mortality.

HSMR = Actual Number of deaths among diagnosis groups accounting for 80% of inpatient mortality

* 100

Expected number of deaths among diagnosis groups accounting for 80% of inpatient mortality

It is adjusted by factors affecting mortality for example age, sex, length of stay and admission category: Exclusion criteria: Cadavers, Stillborns, Sign -outs, Neonates (28 days old or less) and brain death.

SOURCE: Canadian Institute Health Information – Discharge Abstract Database (DAD)

BENCHMARK SOURCE: Canadian Institute Health Information (CIHI)

