


Appendix 1: The LACE index



Covenant Health
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Patient Label

Patient Risk Assessment Tool-LACE

| ATTRIBUTE | VALUE | POINTS** |
|---|-------------------------------|---|
| Length of Stay ("L")-Number of days admitted to hospital | <1 | 0 |
| | 1 | 1 |
| | 2 | 2 |
| | 3 | 3 |
| | 4-6 | 4 |
| | 7-13 | 5 |
| | ≥14 | 7 |
| Acute (emergent) admission ("A") | Yes | 3 |
| Comorbidity (Charlson comorbidity index score) ("C") Condition | Score (circle as appropriate) | If the TOTAL score is between 0 and 3 enter the score into Box C. If the score is 4 or higher, enter 5 into Box C |
| Previous myocardial infarction | +1 | |
| Cerebrovascular disease | +1 | |
| Peripheral vascular disease | +1 | |
| Diabetes without complications | +1 | |
| Congestive heart failure | +2 | |
| Diabetes with end organ damage | +2 | |
| Chronic pulmonary disease | +2 | |
| Mild liver or renal disease | +2 | |
| Any tumor (including lymphoma or leukemia) | +2 | |
| Dementia | +3 | |
| Connective tissue disease | +3 | |
| AIDS | +4 | |
| Moderate or severe liver or renal disease | +4 | |
| Metastatic solid tumor | +5 | |
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| ATTRIBUTE | VALUE | POINTS** |
| ED Visits during previous 6 months ("E") | 0 | 0 |
| | 1 | 1 |
| | 2 | 2 |
| | 3 | 3 |
| | ≥4 | 4 |

HIGH RISK
Day 3 – greater or equal to 10
Complete LACE – greater or equal to 13

**Total (4 boxes) =

If 13 or more, complete Patient Appointment sheet