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(3) Analyzes its findings for each study; and
(4) Takes action as needed to—
   (i) Correct or investigate further any deficiencies or problems in the review process; or
   (ii) Recommend more effective and efficient hospital care procedures.

§ 456.243 Content of medical care evaluation studies.

Each medical care evaluation study must—
   (a) Identify and analyze medical or administrative factors related to the mental hospital’s patient care;
   (b) Include analysis of at least the following:
      (1) Admissions.
      (2) Durations of stay.
      (3) Ancillary services furnished, including drugs and biologicals.
      (4) Professional services performed in the hospital; and
   (c) If indicated, contain recommendations for change beneficial to patients, staff, the hospital, and the community.

§ 456.244 Data sources for studies.

Data that the committee uses to perform studies must be obtained from one or more of the following sources:
   (a) Medical records or other appropriate hospital data.
   (b) External organizations that compile statistics, design profiles, and produce other comparative data.
   (c) Cooperative endeavors with—
      (1) QIOs;
      (2) Fiscal agents;
      (3) Other service providers; or
      (4) Other appropriate agencies.


§ 456.245 Number of studies required to be performed.

The mental hospital must, at least, have one study in progress at any time and complete one study each calendar year.

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