



Affix patient label within this box

LACE Index Scoring WorksheetComplete at Discharge

Step 1 – Length of Stay _____ days (including day of admission & discharge)

Length of stay (days)	Score (circle as appropriate)
1	1
2	2
3	3
4 - 6	4
7 - 13	5
14 or more	7





Step 2 – Acuity of Admission

Was the patient admitted to hospital via the emergency department

	Score
Yes	3
No (other)	0





Step 3 - Comorbidities

Condition (Description on reverse)	Score (circle all that apply)
History of myocardial infarction	+1
Cerebrovascular disease	+1
Peripheral vascular disease	+1
Diabetes without complications	+1
Congestive heart failure	+2
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	+2
Mild liver disease	+2
Cancer	+2
Dementia	+3
Connective tissue disease	+3
HIV Infection	+4
Moderate or severe liver disease	+4
Metastatic Cancer	+6
Total	

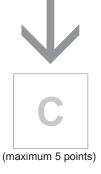
 Total
 Score

 1
 1

 2
 2

 3
 3

 4 or greater
 5



Step 4 – Emergency Department Visits

How many times has the patient visited an emergency department (ED) in the six months prior to admission? (Do not include the ED visit immediately preceding the current admission)

Prior ED Visits	Score
1	1
2	2
3	3
4 or greater	4

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(maximum 4 points)

Step 5 – Add numbers in Box L, Box A, Box C, Box E to generate LACE score and enter into box below.





Step 6 – Indicate High, Medium, Low Risk on Discharge Management Plan upon discharge.

Low Risk Score: 0 - 6

Medium Risk Score: 7 - 10

High Risk Score: 11 - 19



Condition	Definition and/or notes
History of myocardial infarction	Any previous definite or probable myocardial infarction
Cerebrovascular disease	Any previous stroke or transient ischemic attack (TIA)
Peripheral vascular disease	Intermittent claudication, previous surgery or stenting, gangrene or acute ischemia, untreated abdominal or thoracic aortic aneurysm
Diabetes without complications	No retinopathy, nephropathy or neuropathy
Congestive heart failure (CHF)	Any patient with symptomatic CHF whose symptoms have responded to appropriate medications
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)	Documented COPD
Mild liver disease	Cirrhosis but no portal hypertension (for example, no varices, no ascites) OR no chronic hepatitis
Cancer	Solid tumors must have been treated within the last 5 years; includes chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) and polycythemia vera (PV)
Dementia	Any documented evidence of cognitive deficit
Connective tissue disease	Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), polymyositis, mixed connective tissue disease, moderate to severe rheumatoid arthritis, and polymyalgia rheumatica
HIV Infection	AIDS-defining opportunistic infection or CD4 less than 200
Moderate to severe liver disease	Cirrhosis with portal hypertension (for example, ascites or variceal bleeding)
Metastatic cancer	Any metastatic cancer