**MR#\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**UNIT\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**DOS\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**LACE Index Scoring Tool for Risk Assessment of Hospital Readmission**

**Step 1. Length of Stay**

Length of stay (including day of admission and discharge): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ days

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

**A**

**Step 2. Acuity of Admission**

Was the patient admitted to hospital via the emergency department?

If yes, enter “3” in Box A, otherwise enter “0” in Box A

**Step 3. Comorbidities**

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| **Condition (definitions and notes on reverse)** | **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  **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 | +6 |
| **TOTAL** |  |

**Step 4. Emergency department visits**

**E**

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

Enter this number or 4 (whichever is smaller) in Box E

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

**LACE**

**LACE Score Risk of Readmission: > 7 High Risk**

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| **Condition** | **Definition and/or notes** |
| Previous 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 microvascular complications | No retinopathy, nephropathy or neuropathy |
| Congestive heart failure | Any patient with symptomatic CHF whose symptoms have responded to appropriate medications |
| Diabetes with end organ damage | Diabetes with retinopathy, nephropathy or neuropathy |
| Chronic pulmonary disease | ?? |
| Mild liver or renal disease | Cirrhosis but no portal hypertension (i.e., no varices, no ascites) OR chronic hepatitis  Chronic Renal Disease |
| Any tumor (including lymphoma or leukemia) | Solid tumors must have been treated within the last 5 years; includes chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) and polycythemia vera (PV)\_ |
| Dementia | Any cognitive deficit?? |
| Connective tissue disease | Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), polymyositis, mixed connective tissue disease, moderate to severe rheumatoid arthritis, and polymyalgia rheumatica |
| AIDS | AIDS-defining opportunistic infection or CD4 < 200 |
| Moderate or severe liver or renal disease | Cirrhosis with portal hypertension (e.g., ascites or variceal bleeding)  Endstage Renal Disease, Hemodialysis or Peritoneal Dialysis |
| Metastatic solid tumor | Any metastatic tumour |