

Table 2

Comparison of Average Length of Stay and Hospital Charges in Patients Intubated for Airway Protection

MS-DRG	Average LOS			Charges		
	Without ETI	With ETI	<i>p</i>	Without ETI	With ETI	<i>p</i>
100 Seizures with MCC	8.3 (38)	7.4 (33)	≥0.5	99,539 (38)	105,080 (33)	≥0.5
101 Seizures without MCC	3.1 (75)	4.0 (11)	≥0.5	33,119 (75)	56,939 (11)	≥0.5
896 Alcohol/Drug Abuse or Dependence, without Rehabilitation Therapy, with MCC	10.9 (21)	11.9 (7)	≥0.5	78,100 (21)	111,801 (21)	≥0.5
897 Alcohol/Drug Abuse or Dependence, without Rehabilitation Therapy, without MCC	5.7 (100)	2.5 (2)	≥0.5	32,190 (100)	43,481 (100)	≥0.5
917 Poisoning and Toxic Effects of Drugs with MCC	5.8 (71)	4.8 (73)	≥0.5	73,377 (71)	69,682 (71)	≥0.5
918 Poisoning and Toxic Effects of Drugs without MCC	2.9 (44)	3.0 (4)	≥0.5	28,646 (44)	38,145 (44)	≥0.5

Notes: Values in parentheses are the number of patients in each subgroup. No significant differences were noted in any comparisons.

Abbreviations: ETI, endotracheal intubation; LOS, length of stay; MCC, major complication or comorbidity; MS-DRG, Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Group.