§ 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.

Subpart E [Reserved]