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**§482.51(b)(1) - Prior to surgery or a procedure requiring anesthesia services and except in the case of emergencies:**

**(iii) An assessment of the patient must be completed and documented after registration (in lieu of the requirements of paragraphs (b)(1)(i) and (ii) of this section) when the patient is receiving specific outpatient surgical or procedural services and when the medical staff has chosen to develop and maintain a policy that identifies, in accordance with the requirements at § 482.22(c)(5)(v), specific patients as not requiring a comprehensive medical history and physical examination, or any update to it, prior to specific outpatient surgical or procedural services.**

**Interpretive Guidelines §482.51(b)(1)(iii)**

Guidance is pending and will be updated in future release.