

## Appendix B: Population Relatedness

Appendix B Table 6. Population Sample Rubric and Guide.

Population Sample	
Domain	Guide
Split sample Check	Split sample = Closely Related
Index Condition Match	No = Distantly Related
<b>Recruitment Indication</b>	
Inclusion Criteria	Partial match if no major clinical difference = Related
Exclusion Criteria	
Recruitment Setting	If only major difference, ED vs. inpatient = Related
<b>Risk Factors</b>	
1. Diabetes (%)	Partial match (+/- 10%) = Related
2. Hypertension (%)	
3. Hyperlipidemia (%)	BUT if Risk Factor part of inclusion criteria (i.e., 100% vs. other %) then >50% different = <u>Distantly Related</u>
<b>Study Characteristics</b>	
Enrollment Period	Partial match (<20 difference) = <u>Related</u>
Follow-up time	If only difference, 1) Cox model = <u>Related</u> 2) Derivation time short enough to be logistic regression vs. validation is longer = <u>Distantly Related</u>
Outcome	No match = not validation → Removed from sample

ED indicated emergency department.