

# One Attribute per QDM Data Element (QDM-45)

## Only allow one attribute to be specified at a time in QDM Elements

### Before:

```
AND: "Encounter, Performed: Inpatient (facility location: 'ED', facility location arrival datetime)"
```

### After:

```
AND: "Encounter, Performed: Inpatient" satisfies all  
  (facility location: 'ED')  
  (facility location arrival datetime)
```

### Impact:

- **More expressive**
- **Reduces ambiguity when used in timing relationships**
- **Simplifies mapping to HQMF**
- **Some existing measures may need minor rework**