

## List of Abbreviations

%	Percentage
ACE	Angiotensin converting enzyme
ACEI	Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor
AF	Atrial fibrillation
AIDS	Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
ARB	Angiotensin receptor blocker
AS	Aortic stenosis
ASA	Aspirin
AV	Atrioventricular
AVA	Aortic valve area
BB	Beta-blocker
BP	Blood pressure
CABG	Coronary artery bypass graft
CAD	Coronary artery disease
CCB	Calcium channel blocker
CHF	Congestive heart failure
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
DNR	Do not resuscitate
ECG	Electrocardiogram
ED	Emergency department
EF	Ejection fraction
HCFA	Health Care Finance Administration
HF	Heart failure
HJR	Hepatojugular reflux
HR	Heart rate
ICD-9	International Classification of Diseases code, 9 <sup>th</sup> revision
ICU	Intensive care unit
INR	International Normalized Ratio
JVP	Jugular venous pressure
K+	Potassium
LOS	Length of stay
LV	Left ventricular
LVEF	Left ventricular ejection fraction
MI	Myocardial infarction
MR	Mitral regurgitation
NYHA	New York Heart Association
PCI	Percutaneous coronary intervention
PND	Paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnea
SBP	Systolic blood pressure