

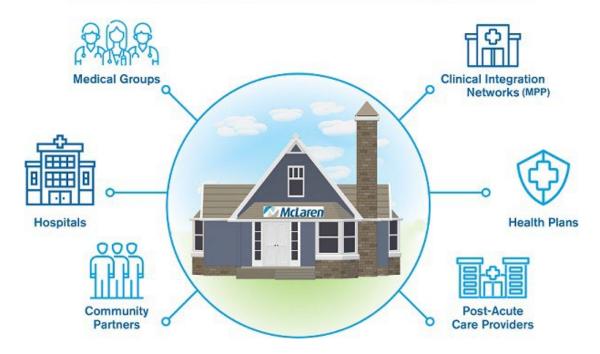
## 2024 Top Ten Quality Metrics Quick Reference

### — POWER OUR —

## Population Health Strategy

Population Health Services Organization (PHSO)—an optimized, physician-partnered operations entity that powers a system to improve health outcomes, promote economies of scale and coordination, and reduce variation across the continuum.

### MPP Population Health Services Organization



McLaren Physician Partners through its members will be the best value in health care as defined by quality outcomes and cost.



Dear McLaren Physician Partners Member,

MPP is dedicated to providing the highest value care to our patients and support to our providers and practices.

One of the ways we do this is through success in Population Health Management. The ultimate goal is to improve the quality of care while reducing costs.

Essential components of our strategy include:

- Use of communication technologies to deliver care like telehealth and remote patient monitoring
- Continuously improving performance on HEDIS and Medicare Stars Quality metrics
- Providing Patient-Centric care consistent with the Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH, PCMH-N) model
- Delivery of coordinated patient care through Transitional Care Management (TCM) and Chronic Disease Management services.
- · Adoption and use of evidence-based guidelines

To assist with Population Health Management and HEDIS performance we are pleased to present the 2024 MPP Top Ten Quick Reference Guide. New for this year is an updated Top Ten Guide, including a new metric, Statin Therapy for Patients with Cardiovascular Disease and a revised Diabetes Metric now named Glycemic Status Assessment vs A1c Control. We removed the Low Back Pain Imaging metric from the Top Ten. Also, on the Pediatric Top Eight, we have updated the Adolescent Well Visit metric to ages 12-17 and the Well-Child Visits to ages 3-11 years.

As patient centric care continues to evolve, MPP has incorporated several focused strategies into our Clinical Integration (CI) Program and MPP Payment Distribution Methodology. Providers will continue to be rewarded on integration and performance in these metrics. Additional success in payer value-based revenue programs will also be realized with high performance on these metrics because it is no longer about just participation in a program but individual and group performance in a program.

We have identified five main activities that are common among MPP top performing providers and ensure success with Top Ten metric performance and other revenue metrics. These activities include:

- Patient outreach for annual and/or chronic disease management visits
- Pre-visit planning
- Use of a point of care tool to identify patient care gaps (i.e., Persivia Population Health registry)
- Applying evidence-based screening guidelines at all visit types, not just those designated for health maintenance
- Continuous interaction with the MPP Quality Performance Staff

One common comment we receive is the variation of recommendations among differing medical/surgical societies. Choosing Wisely is one of the many concepts MPP endorses to promote conversations between providers and patients on high value care. Throughout this guide you will find that the HEDIS metrics do not always reflect current cancer screening or professional organization guidelines in terms of age groups or frequency of testing. We have provided you with the HEDIS specifications needed to meet the measure requirements. We have also provided you with the professional societal recommendations so that you can make the best choices with your patients.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this guide, please feel free to contact any one of us. Your MPP Quality Performance Specialist and Practice Coach (field team) are also available to assist you with practice transformation to ensure success in this year's program.

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### TELEHEALTH

**Telehealth** - Real-time bi-directional audio and video telecommunications.

**Please note** – Due to frequent changes and variance between payers, refer to individual payer guidelines for covered services, modifier use, and place of service codes.

**Required Documentation -** For all telehealth visits, the documentation in the office note must include specific information relative to each HEDIS/Star/Pharmacy measure:

- Type of telehealth contact (visual, audio, email, portal etc.)
- Type of video service (Amwell, Doxy.me, Teladoc, Zoom for Healthcare, etc.),
- Location of patient and provider
- Patient Informed consent documented (understands and accepts the privacy and security risks of telehealth medicine).
- Even if gaps cannot be directly closed via telehealth, preventive services and exclusions may be discussed and orders and prescriptions may be written (phoned in/mailed) to support patient gap closure.

Member Reported Services and Biometric Values - Member-reported services and biometric values (height, weight, BMI percentile, Self-monitored blood pressure) are acceptable only if the information is collected by a primary care practitioner or specialist, if the specialist is providing a primary care service related to the condition being assessed, while taking a patient's history.

In order to close the gap for this measure, a compliant result should be recorded. Data with compliant results can be submitted through an approved EMR supplemental data exchange or a claim billed with appropriate CPTII code. Service details along with results must be clearly documented in the medical record.

#### **Codes for Telehealth - Medicare**

Description	Codes
Telephone visits	99441- 99443 billed with no modifier
Telehealth visits	99202-99215 and G0438-G0439 billed with modifier 95

Throughout this guide, this symbol will identify each measure that may be completed during a telehealth visit.

Please note: When the measure is satisfied by a prescription or result, the telehealth visit may be used to document prescribing the medication or placing the order for testing. Telehealth visits may also be used to document self-reported results (where applicable), or document exclusion criteria.





For a full list of Telehealth Services for Medicare effective 1/1/24, please visit: https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coverage/telehealth/list-services



### **2023 Top Quality Performing Physicians**

# In 2023, MPP Recognized Their Top Performing Physicians In Population Health.

### Awardees:

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Terry Ball, DO (Central)

Jeffery Bossenberger, DO (Flint)

Rajesh Dandamudi, MD (Bay)

Lisa Dietz, DO (Oakland)

David Dotson, DO (Flint)

Kelly Flynn, DO (Northern)

Riad Hajjar, MD (Port Huron)

Scott Hotchkiss, MD (Northern)

Mandhir Jamwal, MD (Oakland)

Gregory Koby, DO (Macomb)

Michael Lane, DO (Bay)

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Samuel Minor, MD (Northern)

Julia Mueller, MD (Northern)

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## **MPP Top Ten Quality Metrics 2024**

Category	Measure Title	Specifications	
Pharmacy	Statin Therapy for Patients with Cardiovascular Disease- NEW	Percentage of males 21-75 and females 40-75 identified as having atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) and were dispensed at least one moderate or high intensity statin during 2024	
	Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visit	Patients 3-21 years of age who had a comprehensive Well- Care visit with PCP, Pediatrician or OB/GYN in 2024	
	Breast Cancer Screening	Women 50- 74 years of age who had one or more mammograms any time during current or prior year (October 1, 2022– December 31, 2024) Exclusion: Bilateral mastectomy	
	Chlamydia Screening in Women	Women 16-24 years of age identified as sexually active who had at least one chlamydia test during 2024	
Screening Measures	Colorectal Cancer Screening	<ul> <li>Patients age 45-75 with one of the following:</li> <li>FOBT during current year (may not use sample from digital receive exam (2024)</li> <li>Flexible sigmoidoscopy in last 5 years (2020-2024)</li> <li>Colonoscopy in the last 10 years (2015-2024)</li> <li>CT Colonography in last 5 years (2020-2024)</li> <li>FIT-DNA (Cologuard) in last 3 years (2022, 2023, 2024) Exclusion colorectal cancer, total colectomy</li> </ul>	
	Cervical Cancer Screening	<ul> <li>Women 21-64 years of age who were screened for cervical cancer using either of the following:</li> <li>21-64 who had a pap smear in the last 3 years (2022- 2024)</li> <li>30-64 who had PAP and HPV co-testing during the last 5 years (2020- 2024). (HPV reflex testing results do not count)</li> <li>30-64 who had High-risk (hrHPV) testing (without cytology) during the last 5 years (2020-2024)</li> <li>Exclusion: Hysterectomy with no residual cervix.</li> </ul>	
Cardiovascular Conditions	Controlling High Blood Pressure	Patients age 18-85 with a diagnosis of hypertension and whose blood pressure was adequately controlled (139/89 or lower) during measurement year	
	Diabetes Care: Retinal Eye Exam	Diabetic retinal eye exam in current year (may be 2 years if negative)	
Comprehensive Diabetes Care	Glycemic Status Assessment for Patients with Diabetes- REVISED	Patients age 18-75 whose most recent glycemic status (HbA1c) or glucose management indicator (GMI) is less than 8% in 2024	
	Diabetes Care: Kidney Health Evaluation for Patients with Diabetes	Adults ages 18 to 85 of age with diabetes who received a kidney health evaluation during the measurement year as evidenced by both of the following:  1. eGFR: estimated glomerular filtration rate  2. uACR: urine albumin-creatinine ratio	

## **MPP Pediatrics Top Eight Quality Metrics 2024**

Category	Measure Title	Specifications			
	Adolescent Well Visits REVISED	Patients 12-17 years of age who had a comprehensive well-care visit with PCP, Pediatrician or OB/GYN in 2024			
	Well-Child Visits REVISED	Patients 3-11 years of age who had at least one well- child visit with a PCP during 2024			
	BMI Percentile	Patients ages 3-17 with a BMI percentile documented annually (either numeric or plotted on a growth chart.) Documentation must include height, weight, and BMI value			
	Chlamydia Screening	Women 16-24 years of age identified as sexually active who has at least one chlamydia test during 2024			
Preventative Screenings and Well Child Visit	Counseling for Nutrition	2024. Documentation and at least one of the behaviors (e.g., eating indicating nutrition nutrition education,	on must i the following habits was addr patient in ce-to-fact obesity c	nclude a wing: dis , dieting essed, c received ce visit, a counseli	
	Counseling for Physical Activity	during 2024. Docume the date and at least physical activity beh sports activities, exaphysical activity was activity, member recactivity during a face the child's physical a	entation t one of aviors (e m for spo address eived ec e-to-face ctivity, w	must ir the follo .g., exer orts part ed, cour lucation visit, an reight or	unseling for physical activity include a note indicating owing: discussion of current cise routine, participation in cicipation), checklist indicating inseling or referral for physical al materials on physical ticipatory guidance specific to robesity counseling.
	Follow-up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication: Initiation Phase (6-12 Years)				dication who had one follow- medication prescription
	Depression Screening (ages 12 and older)	creening older)  Percentage of patients 12 years and older who are screened depression using a standardized tool. If positive screen (PHQ-9 or greater) receives follow-up care within 30 days		d older who are screened for . If positive screen (PHQ-9 of 5 /ithin 30 days	
Balanta da		Interpreting PHQ-9	Scores	Act	ions Based on PHQ-9 Score
Behavioral Health		Mild depression	5-9		Physician uses clinical judgement about treatment,
		Moderate depression	10-14	>5-14	based on patient's duration of symptoms and functional impairment
		Moderately severe depression	15-19	>15	Warrants treatment for depression, using antidepressant, psychotherapy, and/or combination of both



### STATIN USE FOR PATIENTS WITH CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE - NEW TOP TEN METRIC

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

- Patients with Cardiovascular Disease:
  - Male Patients ages 21-75
  - Female Patients ages 40-75
  - Identified as having clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease
    - Dispensed at least one moderate or high intensity statin medication during 2024
  - Only drug claims processed through the patient's pharmacy benefit are counted

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- End Stage Renal Disease or Dialysis in previous or current measurement year
- Patient receiving Hospice or Palliative Care Services
- Cirrhosis/Liver Disease in previous or current measurement year
- Female patients who are pregnant, receiving IVF or prescription for clomiphene (estrogen agents) during previous or current measurement year
- Cannot tolerate statin medication, as diagnosed by a claim for myalgia, myositis, myopathy, or rhabdomyolysis during the measurement year

### Tips for Statin Metrics:

Encourage the importance of statin regardless of LDL Levels.

Try more hydrophilic statins or reduce the dose/frequency if patient thinks there are adverse effects such as myalgia.

Encourage patients to submit insurance info when using RX discount programs.

Encourage use of 90-day or 100-day Rx.

Forward exclusion documentation to the health plan, Z78.9 is not an approved exclusion. For generalized myopathy use G72.0.

Repatha alone does not close this gap.

Condition	ICD-10 Code
Myalgia	M79.1, M79.10-M79.12, M79.18
Myositis	M60.80-M60.819, M60.821- M60.829, M60.831-M60.839, M60.841-M60.849, M60.851- M60.859, M60.861-M60.869, M60.871-M60.879, M60.88-M60.9
Myopathy	G72.0, G72.2, G72.9
Rhabdomyolysis	M62.82

**NOTE:** Exclusions of patients for Statin Therapy <u>must</u> be documented and coded every calendar year.

High Intensity Statin Therapy				
Amlodipine-atorvastatin 40-80 mg				
Rosuvastatin 20-40 mg				
Moderate Intensity Statin Therapy				
Amlodipine-atorvastatin 10-20 mg				
Fluvastatin 40-80 mg				
Pitavastatin 1–4 mg				
Rosuvastatin 5-10 mg				
Low Intensity Statin Therapy				
Fluvastatin 20 mg				
Pravastatin 10–20 mg				
Simvastatin 5-10 mg				



### **CONTROLLING HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE**

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

 The percentage of patients 18–85 years of age who had a diagnosis of hypertension (HTN) and whose blood pressure (BP) was adequately controlled (139/89 or lower) during the measurement year.

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services
- Patients with evidence of ESRD, dialysis, nephrectomy, or kidney transplant anytime during the member's history on or prior to Dec. 31 of the measurement year
- Non-acute inpatient admission during measurement year
- Patients who were pregnant during the measurement year
- Advanced illness and frailty

	CPT II CODE	READING
	3074F	Less than 130
Systolic	3075F	130-139
Systolic	3077F	Greater than or equal to 140
	3078F	Less than 80
Diastolic	3079F	80-89
Diastolic	3080F	Greater than or equal to 90

### Ways to improve Controlling High Blood Pressure rates:

Bill CPTII Codes.

BP is last reading of the year.

Have patient return for nurse/MA visit by the end of the year.

Repeat any BP measurement that is 140/90 or above and DOCUMENT all repeat measurements.

Establish a protocol for retaking high BPs.

Review proper technique for taking a blood pressure.

Document patient reading of home BP from digital device during telehealth visit. Ranges will not satisfy the measure.

BP can be counted from any visit including specialists. Obtain specialist visit consult notes for manual entry.





### GLYCEMIC STATUS ASSESSMENT FOR PATIENTS WITH DIABETES (GSD) - REVISED

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

 Percentage of diabetic patients ages 18-75 whose most recent glycemic status (hemoglobin A1C) or glucose management indicator (GMI) is less than 8% during 2024.

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- Polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), gestational diabetes or steroid-induced diabetes in 2023 or 2024.
- Patients age 66 and older living in skilled nursing facility.
- Advanced illness and frailty
- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services

Description	CPT/CPTII Code for A1C Testing
A1C less than 7%	3044F
A1C greater than equal to 7% to less than 8%	3051F
A1C greater than equal to 8% to less than 9%	3052F
A1C greater than 9%	3046F
Point of Care A1C Test (claim will also need code result)	83036

GMI is a calculation derived from continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) that assesses average blood sugar values. This is a recognized surrogate for A1C when used for  $\geq$  7 days, 70% CQM use.

(BIMAL V. PATEL, GABRIEL ALENCAR, SHARON M. WANG, SCOTT LEAS, LAUREL H. MESSER, JORDAN E. PINSKER; 154-LB: HEDIS Glycemic Goals Achieved by Control-IQ Technology Users across All Payer Types. Diabetes 20 June 2023; 72 (Supplement\_1): 154–LB. <a href="https://doi.org/10.2337/db23-154-LB">https://doi.org/10.2337/db23-154-LB</a>)





\*Telehealth may be used to document event/exclusion. Gap can be discussed with patient, but unable to close gap via telehealth.

## Ways to improve A1C < 8% rates:

Utilize MPP gaps in care reporting to identify patients with A1C < 8% gaps.

Ensure diabetes medication compliance.

Refer patients for Self-Management or Nutritional Counseling.

Utilize Diabetic or Chronic Care Flow sheets to document testing.

Utilize test tracking methods to ensure patient compliance and that lab reports are received.

For waived testing at the office, ensure testing is documented in the medical record and CPT II codes are included on the claim.

Review hospital medical records for lab results.



### **COMPREHENSIVE DIABETES CARE: KIDNEY HEALTH EVALUATION**

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

 The percentage of adults 18–85 years of age with diabetes who received a Kidney Health Evaluation during 2024 on the same or different dates of service.

A Kidney Health Evaluation is defined by completion of both:

- 1. An estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) and
- 2. A urine albumin-creatinine ratio (uACR)
  - a. Quantitative urine albumin CPT 82043 and Urine creatinine CPT 82570 within four days or less apart

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- Patients with evidence of ESRD or dialysis any time during the member's history
- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services

For more information on this metric, please use the QR code below to view the Clinical Corner on this topic:



## Ways to improve Kidney Health Evaluation rates:

If possible, order both eGFR and uACR on the same date of service, but can be done on separate dates of service within current year.

Urine Albumin Creatinine Ratio Lab Test Value Set is the preferred lab to order. Must write out for non-Cerner orders.

Point of Care Strip Albumin tests or semi-quantitative tests **do not** meet metric (CPT 82044).

Utilize the first diabetic exam of the year to order the appropriate testing.

Utilize MPP gaps in care reporting to identify patients with kidney health evaluation open gaps.

Utilize Diabetic or Chronic Care Flow sheets to document testing.

Utilize Test Tracking process to ensure patient completed testing and lab reports are received.



### **COMPREHENSIVE DIABETES CARE: RETINAL EYE EXAM**

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

 Percentage of diabetic patients ages 18-75 who had a retinal or dilated eye exam during 2024 or a negative retinal eye exam in 2023.

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- Bilateral eye enucleation.
- Polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), gestational diabetes or steroid induced diabetes in 2023 or 2024.
- Patients age 66 and older living in skilled nursing facility.
- Advanced illness and frailty
- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services

Description	CPT II Code
No evidence of retinopathy in the prior year. (Must have the documentation of the date, provider name who performed the exam, and the result.)	3072F





\* Patient self-reported exams can be captured in medical record for gap closure (must include result, date, and name of eye care professional).

### Ways to improve Retinal Eye Exam rates:

Remind patients that retinal eye exams are covered under their medical insurance.

Utilize a retinal eye exam referral form.

Utilize MPP gaps in care reporting to identify patients with retinal eye exam gaps.

Utilize Diabetic or Chronic Care Flow sheets to document exam results

Partner with PCMH- Neighborhood eye care specialists to enhance communication.

Utilize referral tracking methods to ensure patient compliance and that specialist reports are received.

## **Diabetic Retinopathy Evaluation**

Patient Instructions: Please take this form to your eye care professional and have them complete and return.

Diabetic Eye exams are covered under medical insurance and may be subject to your specialist co-pay and/or deductible.

Patient Name:	DOB:
Date of Exam:	Health Plan ID:
Primary Care Physician Information	
Physician:	Fax:
Address:	Phone:
City:	State:Zip:
FINDINGS	
☐ No diabetic retinopathy is found in either eye.	OR .
☐ RETINAL EXAM ABNORMALITIES DETECTE	D, AS FOLLOWS:
☐ Background changes noted in:	
☐ Right (Circle Grade) Mild	Moderate Severe
Clinically significant diabetic macu	ular edema? Yes No
☐ Left (Circle Grade) Mild	Moderate Severe
Clinically significant diabetic mac	ılar edema? Yes No
☐ Proliferative changes noted in:	
☐ Right (Circle Grade) Activ	re Regressed/Stable
☐ Left (Circle Grade) Activ	re Regressed/Stable
FOLLOW UP	
☐ Routine follow-up exam is recommended in on	e year. OR
☐ Follow-up of abnormalities in my office is recor	nmended in(timeframe).
☐ Referral to Dr is recomme	nded in(timeframe).
☐ Cataracts or Glaucoma detected OR laser trea	tment is needed. Letter to follow.
Codes to Indicate HEDIS Compliance: 92004 – Ophthalmological services: Medical examination and evaluate treatment program; intermediate, established patient, one or more vi	
92014 – Ophthalmological services: Medical examination and evalu treatment program; comprehensive, established patient, one or mor	ation, with initiation or continuation of diagnostic and e visits.
G2102 – Dilated eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist evidence of retinopathy	
2023F – Dilated eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist evidence of retinopathy	or optometrist documented and reviewed without
G2103– Seven (7) standard field stereoscopic photos with interpretat documented and reviewed with evidence of retinopathy	ion by an ophthalmologist or optometrist
2025F – Seven (7) standard field stereoscopic photos with interpreta and reviewed <b>without evidence of retinopathy</b>	tion by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented
G2104 – Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from seven (7 by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed <b>wit</b> l	) standard field stereoscopic photos with interpretation a evidence of retinopathy.
2033F – Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from seven (interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and	
3072F - Diabetic retinal screening negative	
	Eye Care Professional Signature
	Eye Care Professional Printed Last Name
Office Name:	



### **COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING**

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

- Percentage of patients ages 45-75 with one of the following:
  - FOBT (Fecal immunochemical FIT) during 2024
  - Flexible sigmoidoscopy between 2020 through 2024
  - Colonoscopy between 2015 through 2024
  - CT colonography between 2020 through 2024
  - FIT-DNA (Cologuard) between 2022-2024

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- Colon Cancer or Total Colectomy
- Patients age 66 and older living in skilled nursing facility
- Advanced illness and frailty
- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services

NOTE: Tests performed on a sample collected via a digital rectal exam do not meet criteria.

# Ways to improve Colorectal Cancer Screening rates:

Code colorectal cancer screening results documented and reviewed: 3017F.

Encourage patients resistant to having a colonoscopy to complete a FOBT or FIT-DNA test at home.

Utilize MPP gaps in care reports to identify patients with Colorectal Cancer Screening gaps.

Utilize test and specialist referral tracking methods to ensure compliance.

On the patient problem list in the medical record, document test/ surgical history and include date.

A pathology report that indicates the type of screening (e.g., colonoscopy) and the date when the screening was performed meets criteria.

For pathology reports that do not indicate the type of screening and for incomplete procedures, evidence that the scope advanced beyond the splenic flexure meets criteria for a completed colonoscopy.

Document the date of total colectomy in the medical record.



### **BREAST CANCER SCREENING**

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

 Percentage of Women ages 50 to 74 who had a mammogram between October 1, 2022 and December 31, 2024. All types and methods of mammograms (screening, diagnostic, film, digital or digital breast tomosynthesis) will qualify.

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- Bilateral mastectomy
- Patients age 66 and older living in skilled nursing facility
- Advanced illness and frailty
- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services

### **Screening Recommendations**

Breast cancer screening recommendations for women at average risk		
American Cancer Society	Karmanos  CANCER INSTITUTE  Wayne State University  National  Comprehensive  Cancer Network	U.S. Preventive Services Task Force
Annual screening for women 45-54 (women should have the option to begin annual screening between 40 – 44) Women 55 and older can switch to every 2 years (or every year if a woman chooses to do so), for as long as a woman is in good health and is expected to live at least 10 more years.	Every year starting at age 40, for as long as a woman is in good health  Consider tomosynthesis (3-D mammography)	Every 2 years Starting at age 40





# Ways to improve breast cancer screening rates:

Screening mammography results documented and reviewed- Code 3014F.

Document date of mastectomy in the medical record and code history of bilateral mastectomy (Z90.13).

Educate female patients about the importance of early detection and screening.

Breast cancer awareness activities during the month of October.

Utilize MPP gaps in care reporting to identify patients with breast cancer screening gaps.

Utilize test tracking methods to ensure compliance.

Use standing orders for mammograms.

Partner with McLaren Regional Breast Centers, which offer free or discounted screening and other services such as transportation and reminder programs.



### **CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING**

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

- Women aged 21-64 years who were screened for cervical cancer using either of the following:
  - 21-64 who had a pap smear in the last 3 years (2022, 2023, 2024)
  - 30-64 who had PAP and HPV co-testing during the last 5 years (2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
  - 30-64 who had High-risk HPV (hrHPV) testing (without cytology) during the last 5 years (2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)

NOTE: HPV reflex testing results do not satisfy the measure for 5 years

### **EXCLUSIONS TO CODE:**

- Hysterectomy with no residual cervix. Document: Total, Complete, Radical abdominal or Vaginal hysterectomy and the year of the surgery.
- Documentation of hysterectomy in combination with documentation that the patient no longer needs pap testing/cervical cancer screening will also meet this measure.
- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services

# Ways to improve Cervical Cancer Screening rates:

Document date of hysterectomy in the medical record and code absence of cervix and uterus (Z90.710).

3015F: Cervical cancer screening documented and reviewed.

For Pap and HPV co-testing, do not order "Reflex" testing as the lab will only run the HPV test if the PAP test is abnormal.

Educate female patients about the importance of early detection and screening.

Utilize MPP gaps in care reporting to identify patients with cervical cancer screening gaps.

For patients who have testing done by their OB/GYN, request a copy of the test results from the specialist's office (see OB/GYN Services Referral Form).

Suggestion is for OB/GYN's to use Z01.411 or Z01.419 encounter codes instead of Z00.00 or Z00.01 to prevent billing issues for family practice.

## **OB/GYN Services**

Patient Information		
Patient Name:	DOB:	
Date of Exam:	Health Plan ID:	
Primary Care Physician Information		
Physician:	Fax:	
Address:	Phone:	
City:	State: MI Zip:	
<u>FI</u>	NDINGS	
	Date of service Result	
Cervical Cancer Screening		
Primary HPV Testing		
HPV Co-Testing		
Chlamydia Screening		
Breast Cancer Screening		
Please check any that apply: <ul> <li>Hysterectomy with no residual</li> </ul> Date of procedure:		
□ Pregnancy Test performed in current measurement year to screen for		
pregnancy before X-ray or Isotretinoin prescription		
Bilateral Mastectomy  Date of procedure:		
Please return with a copy of the tes	st results/reports to the fax number above	
OB/Gyn Signature		
OB/Gyn Printed Name Office Name:_ Date:		



### **CHLAMYDIA SCREENING**

# Ways to improve Chlamydia Screening rates:

Utilize MPP gaps in care reports to identify patients with chlamydia screening gaps.

Perform chlamydia urine test for patients aged 16-24 when they present for pregnancy testing, dysuria, or birth control prescription/refill.

Utilize test tracking methods to ensure compliance.

Forward exclusion documentation to the health plan.

Perform chlamydia urine test for patients aged 16 – 24 when they present for any condition, discussion or reason.

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

 Percentage of women ages 16-24 who were identified as sexually active (through claims for birth control pills, STD testing, or pregnancy testing) who has at least one chlamydia test during 2024.

NOTE: screening may be performed by swab or urine.

 EXCLUSIONS: Women who were included in the measure based on pregnancy test alone and the member had a prescription for Isotretinoin or an X-ray on the date of the pregnancy test or the 6 days after the pregnancy test.

### **Talking points:**

- All women who are prescribed birth control are considered sexually active according to the healthcare payers even if prescribed for acne or menses.
- This exam is recommended for women between the ages of 16-24 because the rates of infection are very high. Chlamydia is the most commonly reported bacterial sexually transmitted disease in the United States.
- This test can be as simple as a urine test.
- If left untreated, infected women that do not receive treatment can experience future complications including: Pelvic Inflammatory Disease, Infertility or Ectopic pregnancy.



### CHILD AND ADOLESCENT WELL-CARE VISITS - REVISED

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

- Percentage of patients ages 3 to 21 years of age who had at least one comprehensive well-care visit with a PCP or an OB/GYN during 2024.
- NOTE: Services specific to the assessment or treatment of an acute or chronic condition do not count towards this measure

### **Documentation:**

Documentation in the medical record must include a note indicating a visit to a PCP, Pediatrician or OB/GYN practitioner, the date when the well-care visit occurred and evidence of all of the following: (elements may be combined from multiple visits)

- A health history
- A physical developmental history
- A mental developmental history
- A physical exam
- Health education/anticipatory guidance
- Counseling for nutrition & physical activity; ICD10 codes Z71.3 & Z71.82\*\*
- Chlamydia screening for 16 and older
- Depression screening (PHQ2 & PHQ9); ICD10 code Z13.31,
- CPT Code 96127
- \*\*GAPS close only when billed on claims for MHP, UHC, and Priority

Description	Codes for Child and Adolescent Well-care Visits	
Child and Adolescent Well-care Visits	CPT 99382 to 99385 or 99392 to 99395	
	ICD-10: Z00.121, Z00.129, Z00.5, Z00.8, Z02.0-Z02.6, Z02.71, Z02.82	

# Ways to improve Child and Adolescent Well-care visits:

Avoid missed opportunities by taking advantage of every office visit (including sick visits) to provide a Well Care Visit, immunizations, and BMI value/ percentile calculations.

Use pre-visit planning to ensure correct well care visit template document is used.

Convert sports/day care physicals into well-care visits by performing the required services and submitting appropriate codes.

Use standardized templates in charts and in EMRs that allow checkboxes for standard counseling activities.

A sick visit and well-child visit can be performed on the same day by adding a modifier 25 to the sick visit, and billing for the appropriate preventive visit.

Utilize MPP gaps in care reporting to identify patients with gaps.







### **RISK OF CONTINUED OPIOID USE – 15 DAYS**

### **HEDIS Measure description:**

- The percentage of adults 18 years and older with either:
  - ≥ 15 days of a new prescription for opioids in a 30-day period.
  - at least 31 days of prescription opioids in a 62-day period.
- Includes patients that were dispensed an opioid medication sometime between November 1, 2023 through October 31 of 2024.
- New episode of opioid use that puts patients at risk of continued opioid use.
- Providers (primary care and specialists), please communicate your decision to initiate or renew an opioid medication on a common patient. This will help reduce utilization and improve collaborative care.

NOTE: A lower rate indicates better performance

#### **INCLUSIONS:**

The following opioid medications are included in this measure:

- Benzhydrocodone
- Buprenorphine (transdermal patch and buccal film)
- Butorphanol
- Codeine
- Dihydrocodeine
- Fentanyl

- Hydrocodone
- Hydromorphone
- Levorphanol
- Meperidine
- Methadone
- Morphine
- Opium

- Oxycodone
- Oxymorphone
- Pentazocine
- Tapentadol
- Tramadol

### **EXCLUSIONS:**

- The following opioid medications are excluded from this measure:
  - Injectables
  - Opioid-containing cough and cold products
  - Ionsys® (fentanyl transdermal patch) this is for inpatient use only and is available only through a restricted program under a Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS)
  - · Methadone for the treatment of opioid use disorder
  - Single agent and combination buprenorphine products used as part of medication-assisted treatment of opioid use disorder
- Patients with Cancer or Sickle cell disease diagnoses
- Patients receiving hospice of palliative care services

### **Opioid facts**

- Long-term opioid use often begins with the treatment of acute pain
- A significant relationship exists between early prescribing patterns and long-term use of opioids
- There is a consistent link between increasing days' supply of the first prescription with the probability of continued opioid use
- Older adults are at a higher risk of accidental misuse or abuse because they typically have multiple prescriptions and chronic disease

For additional information, please use this link:





### MEDICATION ADHERENCE: PORTION OF DAYS COVERED - NEW

### **HEDIS Measure Description:**

 Patients who were dispensed and remained on medication during the measurement year for 80% of the treatment period.

### Measures included:

<u>Proportion of Days Covered (Diabetes All Class)</u> - Patients ages 40-75 with diabetes who do not have atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease who were dispensed and remained on at least one statin medication of any intensity during the measurement year for at least 80% of the treatment period.

<u>Proportion of Days Covered (RAS Antagonists)</u> - Patients 18 years and older with a prescription for blood pressure medication who were dispensed and remained on an ACE/ARB during the measurement year for at least 80% of the treatment period.

<u>Proportion of Days Covered (Statins)</u> - Male patients ages 21-75 and female patients ages 40-75 who have atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease who were dispensed and remained on a moderate or high-intensity statin during the measurement year for at least 80% of the treatment period.

### **EXCLUSIONS:**

- Received hospice services anytime during the measurement year.
- Patients with end-stage renal disease diagnosis
- Diabetes measure only: Prescription for insulin
- Hypertension measure only: Prescription for sacubitril/valsartan

## Ways to improve Medication Adherence:

Encourage patients to submit insurance info when using RX discount programs.

Encourage use of 90-day or 100-day Rx supplies.

Forward exclusion documentation to the health plan.

Patients must fill the RX, in order for it to count towards the 80%.

If a patient has a preexisting prescription going into a new year the 80% adherence would be 80% of the entire year: 80% of 365 days = 292 days.

If a patient is starting a new medication, the treatment period starts on the first day the patient picks up the prescription.

MEDICATIONS INCLUDED IN EACH MEASURE			
Diabetes	Hypertension	Cholesterol	
<ul> <li>Biguanides</li> <li>Sulfonylureas</li> <li>Thiazolidinediones</li> <li>Dipeptidyl peptidase (DPP)-IV inhibitors</li> <li>Incretin mimetics</li> <li>Meglitinides</li> <li>Sodium glucose cotransporter 2 (SGTLT2) inhibitors</li> </ul>	Renin-angiotensin system (RAS) antagonists:  • Angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors • Angiotensin II receptor blockers (ARBs) • Direct renin inhibitors	Statins	



### CHILDHOOD AND ADOLESCENT IMMUNIZATIONS - NEW

## Childhood Immunization Series Combo 10 HEDIS Measure Description:

 Percentage of children who receive the following vaccines before age 2 years

### Immunizations included in Combo 10:

- 4 DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis)
- 3 IPV (polio)
- 1 MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)
- 3 HiB (haemophilus influenza type B)
- 3 HepB (hepatitis B)
- 1 VZV (chicken pox)
- 4 PCV (pneumococcal conjugate)
- 1 HepA (hepatitis A)
- 2 or 3 RV (rotavirus)
- 2 Flu (influenza)

## Adolescent Immunization Series Combo 2 HEDIS Measure Description:

 Percentage of adolescents who receive the following vaccines before age 13 years

### Immunizations included in Combo 2:

- 1 meningococcal vaccine, administered between 11-13 years
- 1 TDaP (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis), a dministered between 10-13 years
- Complete HPV (human papillomavirus) series, administered between 9-13 years

These two HEDIS metrics have strict age requirements (before 2 years and before 13 years). After those dates, the metric is not met, but it is still important to complete immunizations.

## Ways to improve Vaccine Series Completion:

Recommend and encourage vaccines at all appointments, not just well-visits.

Utilize MCIR to run reports, review for completion, and to make sure vaccines you administered were uploaded.

Have a standardized approach throughout your office. Each team member from front desk to back office to check out has the same pro-vaccine stance and is aware of schedules.

Start HPV at age 9 and Flu at six months to help with metric completion.

Schedule next appointment at current appointment to stay on schedule.

Outreach before age 2 and 13 to catch patients who have fallen behind.

Use personal touches and stories, "I vaccinated my child." Or "I just got my own flu shot for this year".

For patients who go to the health department for vaccines, add them into your test tracking.

Never stop recommending vaccines, even if a parent declines today.



### **BMI ASSESSMENT**

- Patients ages 20 74 with a BMI value documented in 2023 or 2024
- Patients ages 3 to 17 with BMI percentile documented in the measurement year (either numeric or plotted on a growth chart).
- Documentation in the medical record must indicate the height, weight and BMI value.
- This may occur in any outpatient visit type (PCP or Specialist).
- Once a year place BMI Assessment Z-code on the claim.

Description	ICD-10 Code for ages 21 years and older (use BMI percentile if less than 21)
BMI 19 or less	Z68.1
BMI 20.0-20.9	Z68.20
BMI 21.0-21.9	Z68.21
BMI 22.0-22.9	Z68.22
BMI 23.0-23.9	Z68.23
BMI 24.0-24.9	Z68.24
BMI 25.0-25.9	Z68.25
BMI 26.0-26.9	Z68.26
BMI 27.0-27.9	Z68.27
BMI 28.0-28.9	Z68.28
BMI 29.0-29.9	Z68.29
BMI 30.0-30.9	Z68.30
BMI 31.0-31.9	Z68.31
BMI 32.0-32.9	Z68.32
BMI 33.0-33.9	Z68.33
BMI 34.0-34.9	Z68.34
BMI 35.0-35.9	Z68.35
BMI 36.0-36.9	Z68.36
BMI 37.0-37.9	Z68.37
BMI 38.0-38.9	Z68.38
BMI 39.0-39.9	Z68.39
BMI 40.0-44.9*	Z68.41
BMI 45.0-49.9*	Z68.42
BMI 50.0-59.9*	Z68.43
BMI 60.0-69.9*	Z68.44
BMI >=70*	Z68.45

Pediatric BMI Percentile				
Description	ICD 10 Code			
BMI less than 5th percentile for age	Z68.51			
BMI 5th to less than 85th percentile for age	Z68.52			
BMI 85th to less than 95th percentile for age				
BMI greater than 95th percentile for age	Z68.54			



Growth Charts are available at: www.cdc.gov/growthcharts

\*BMI greater than 40 = Morbid (Severe) Obesity



### **SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH**

**Social Determinants of Health** are conditions in the environments in which people are born, live, learn, work, play, worship, and age that affect a wide range of health, functioning, and quality-of-life outcomes and risks.

**Purpose:** Standardized approach to screening for, documenting and coding social needs enabling healthcare systems to:

- Track the social needs that impact their patients, allowing for personalized care that addressed patients medical and social needs
- Aggregate data across patients to determine how to focus a social determinants strategy
- Identify population health trends and guide community partnerships

**Who can screen?** Clinicians including, but not limited to, social workers, community health workers, case managers, or nurses.

Use this QR code for a complete list of SDOH Codes



**Required Documentation:** use of standardized screening tool documented in the patient's medical record with evidence of review.

ICD-10 Code	Problems/Risk Factors Included in Category	
Z55: Problems related to education and literacy	Illiteracy, schooling unavailable, underachievement in a school, educational maladjustment and discord with teachers and classmates	
Z56: Problems related to employment and unemployment	Unemployment, change of job, threat of job loss, stressful work schedule, discord with bos and workmates, uncongenial work environment, sexual harassment on the job, and militar deployment status	
Z57: Occupational exposure to risk factors	Occupational exposure to noise, radiation, dust, environment tobacco smoke, toxic agents in agriculture, toxic agents in other industries, extreme temperature, and vibration	
Z59: Problems related to housing and economic circumstances	Homeless, inadequate housing, discord with neighbors, lodgers and landlord, problems related to living in residential institutions, lack of adequate food and safe drinking water, extreme poverty, low income, insufficient social insurance, and welfare support	
Z60: Problems related to social environment	Adjustment to life-cycle transitions, living alone, acculturation difficulty, social exclusion a rejection, target of adverse discrimination and persecution	
Z62: Problems related to upbringing  Inadequate parental supervision and control, parental overprotection, upbr from parents, child in welfare custody, institutional up-bringing, hostility to scapegoating of child, inappropriate excessive parental pressure, personal history of neglect in childhood, personal history of un in childhood, parent-child conflict, and sibling rivalry		
Z63: Other problems related to primary support group, including family circumstances	Absence of family member, disappearance and death of family member, disruption of family by separation and divorce, dependent relative needing care at home, stressful life events affecting family and household, stress on family due to return of family member from military deployment, alcoholism and drug addiction in family	
Z64: Problems related to certain psychosocial circumstances	Unwanted pregnancy, multiparity and discord with counselors	
Z65: Problems related to other psychosocial circumstances	Conviction in civil and criminal proceeding without imprisonment, imprisonment and other incarceration, release from prison, other legal circumstances, victim of crime and terrorism, and exposure to disaster, war and other hostilities	





Sometimes, people have things going on in their lives that make it hard to stay well. We can put you in touch with people who may be able to assist you. Please answer each question below. When you are done, please return this form to our staff.

<b>*</b>	It's hard for me to cook, clean or take care of my house.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
	It's hard for me to get dressed or take a shower or bath.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
Carlo Carlo	I have trouble reading written instructions.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
R	I don't always take my medicine or I cut pills in half to save money.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
8	I have trouble paying my medical bills.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
	I worry that, in the near future, I may not have a place to live.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
<b>a</b>	I do not feel safe where I live.		Sometimes	Not at all
	I sometimes run out of food or worry about how I will feed my family.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
<b>Q</b>	I worry about getting my children clothing, food, diapers, or other needs.		Sometimes	Not at all
	People tell me that I drink/use drugs/smoke cigarettes too much.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
*	I feel sad or worried about what is going on in my life.		Sometimes	Not at all
ii.	I miss school or work because I do not have anyone to watch my children, sibling, or elderly parent(s).		Sometimes	Not at all
	I miss school, work, or doctor appointments because I cannot get a ride.	A lot	Sometimes	Not at all
\$	I have recently had my utilities shut off.		Yes	No
?	Would you like assistance with any of these needs?		Yes	No

Last Name:	First Name:
Date of Birth:	Contact Number:
Preferred Language:	Best Time to Contact:
Office Use Only:	
Date of Office Visit:	
Referral Form Given:	



### **ADDITIONAL HEDIS MEASURES AT A GLANCE**

Category	Measure Title	Specifications
	Appropriate Testing for Pharyngitis*	Patients ages 3 years and older diagnosed with pharyngitis and dispensed an antibiotic should have received a strep test within 3 days prior to diagnosis through 3 days after diagnosis. POC strep test completed in your office, you can bill CPT 87880.
Respiratory Conditions	Appropriate Treatment for Upper Respiratory Infection*	Patients ages 3 months and older diagnosed with URI who were NOT dispensed an antibiotic 30 days prior through 3 days after the diagnosis.
	Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment for Acute Bronchitis/Bronchiolitis*	Patients ages 3 months and older diagnosed with acute bronchitis who were NOT dispensed an antibiotic.
	Medication management for people with Asthma	Patients 5-64 years of age, dispensed controller medication and remained on for at least 50% of the time during 2024.
	Antidepressant Medication Management: Acute Phase	Patients age 18 and older diagnosed with new episode of major depression, treated with antidepressant medication, and who remained on an antidepressant medication treatment for at least 84 days (12 weeks).
Behavioral	Antidepressant Medication Management: Continuation Phase	Patients age 18 and older diagnosed with new episode of major depression, treated with antidepressant medication, and who remained on an antidepressant medication treatment for at least 84 days (12 weeks).
Health	Follow-up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication: Continuation and Maintenance (C&M) Phase (6-12 years)	Patients newly prescribed ADHD medication who remained on the medication for at least 210 days and who in addition to the visit in the initiation phase, had at least 2 follow-up visits within 270 days (9 months) after the initiation phase ended.
Transition of Care	Post Hospital Follow-up	Post hospital follow-up visit within 7 or 14 calendar days of discharge. Higher risk patients may need to be seen sooner.
Prevention Screening	Medical assistance with smoking cessation	Patients 18 years and older who are screened and are identified to use tobacco; receive face-to-face cessation advice, information on medication and strategies to help them quit.
Utilization	Imaging for Low Back	Patients age 18 to 75 (not including palliative care or hospice) with a primary diagnosis of low back pain who did not have imaging study (plain x-ray, MRI, CT scan) with 28 days of the diagnosis.
Pharmacy	Statin use for persons with Diabetes	Patients 40-75 years of age with diabetes who do not have atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease who were dispensed at least two diabetes medication fills in a year and were dispensed a statin medication at any time during the measurement year.
Diabetes	Blood Pressure Control for Patients with Diabetes	Patients 18-75 years of age with diabetes whose blood pressure was adequately controlled less than 140/90 during the measurement year.

<sup>\*</sup>Metric is attributed to primary care provider even if ordered by another provider. Episodes are excluded if there is a history of a competing diagnosis or positive antibiotic history in the prior 30 days.



### MEDICATION RECONCILIATION POST DISCHARGE

### **Purpose:**

• Reconciliation helps patients understand any medication changes that occurred as a result of the hospitalization and helps prevent adverse drug events and other medication issues that may arise after discharge.

### **Measure Description:**

- Patients 18 years and older whose hospital discharge medications were reconciled with the most recent medication list in the outpatient medical record on the date of discharge through 30 days after discharge.
- Emergency room or Urgent Care visits do not count as a hospital discharge.

#### **Documentation**

- Documentation must include evidence of medication reconciliation within outpatient medical record
- Performed by the prescribing practitioner, registered nurse or clinical pharmacist.





### Acceptable documentation examples:

- Documentation of current medications with a notation that references the discharge medications. e.g. no changes in meds since discharge, same meds at discharge, discontinue all discharge meds
- Documentation of the patient's current medications with a notation that the discharge medications were reviewed.
- Documentation that the provider "reconciled the current and discharge meds".
- Document of the current medication list, discharge medication list and notation that the appropriate practitioner reviewed both lists on the same date of service.
- Notation that no medications were prescribed or ordered upon discharge.
- Documentation that patient was seen for post-discharge follow-up with evidence of medication reconciliation or review
- Documentation in the discharge summary that the discharge medications were reconciled with the current medications; the discharge summary must be in the outpatient chart.

Codes for Medication Reconciliation	Description
1111F	Discharge medications reconciled with current medication list in the outpatient medical record within 30 days of discharge. Does not need to be billed with 99495 or 99496, it is included in these codes.
99495	Transitional Care Management; communication with a patient/caregiver within two business days of discharge and a decision- making at least moderate -complexity within 14 days
99496	Transitional Care Management; communication with a patient/caregiver within two business days of discharge and a decision-making of at least high complexity within 7 days
99212-99215 + 1111F	Office visit 15-30 days post hospital discharge - bill 1111F Medication Reconciliation code with Office Visit E&M 99212-99215

NOTE: Codes listed above cannot be billed simultaneously or on the date of discharge.



### **ANNUAL WELLNESS VISIT**

**Purpose:** Yearly personalized structured preventive appointment providing primary care providers the ability to create age-appropriate plans that can lead to identifying risk factors and offering recommended evidence- based referrals.

## Ways to improve AWV rates:

Increase communication efforts through a pro-active approach using forms/letters, in-office or phone staff scripting including appointment reminders.

Utilize MPP list to identify patients needing AWVs.

Utilize Health Risk Assessment forms or documentation templates to ensure compliance.

Schedule future appointments as an AWV with appropriate time allotted.

Convert annual physical exam to AWVs in schedule.

For additional information, please see a document on this topic at:





### **Benefits**

- Quality Improvements and sustainable revenue stream
  - Opportunity to complete in-depth conversation on the importance of preventive services.
  - Incorporates gaps in care influencing performance within multi-payer value-based programs.
  - Alignment with key initiatives and reporting requirements
  - National reimbursement rate is \$166.39 for the initial year and \$130.13 for subsequent years.
  - Additional reimbursement may be available for covered Medicare preventive services (See QR code below)
  - Decrease cost of care
  - Reduces spending on acute care and outpatient utilization
    - Reduction in duplication and unnecessary care
    - Beneficiary engagement and patient attribution
  - Ability to report yearly risk-adjusted diagnosis (RAF)
    - Increases accuracy and specificity by focusing on capturing patient diagnosis
  - Patient satisfaction
    - Zero-dollar expense with a full comprehensive evaluation focused on overall wellness and prevention
    - Advanced Care Planning completed during the visit has zero copay

### Who can perform AWV?

Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy, physician assistant (PA), nurse practitioner, certified clinical nurse specialist, or medical professional, including a health educator, registered dietician, nutrition professional or other licensed practitioner, or a team of medical professionals working under the direct supervision of a physician.

(source: Medicare Processing Manual - Chapter 18 - Preventive and Screening Services)

Description	Code
"Welcome to Medicare" (IPPE) One-time exam performed within the first 12 months of a patient's enrollment	G0402
Initial Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) Performed 12 months after a patient's initial enrollment or after he/she receives IPPE	G0438
Subsequent AWV (Annual)	G0439



### **MEDICARE MEASURES**

Category	Measure Title	Specifications
	Breast Cancer Screening (A)	Women 50-74 years of age who had one or more mammograms any time during current or prior year (October 1, 2022 – December 31, 2024).  Exclusions: Bilateral mastectomy, living in skilled nursing facility, in hospice or palliative care, advanced illness and frailty.
	Colorectal Cancer Screening (A)	Patients ages 45-75 with one of the following:  • gFOBT or iFOBT during current year – 2024 (may <b>not</b> be digital rectal exam)  • Flexible sigmoidoscopy in 2020-2024  • Colonoscopy in 2015-2024  • CT colonography 2020-2024  • FIT-DNA (Cologuard) 2022-2024  Exclusions: colorectal cancer, total colectomy, living in skilled nursing facility, in hospice or palliative care, advanced illness and frailty.
Adult Prevention and Screening Measures	Falls: Screening for Future Fall Risk (A)  Use this QR code for a Fall Risk Assessment Tool that may be used during a telehealth visit:	Patients 65 years of age and older who were screened for future fall risk during 2024.  Screening for Future Fall Risk: Assessment of whether an individual has experienced a fall or problems with gait or balance. A specific screening tool is not required for this measure (Example screening tool: Get-Up-And-Go test.)  Documentation of "no falls" is sufficient  Medical record must include documentation of screening performed  Any history of falls screening during the measurement period is acceptable  A gait or balance assessment meets the intent of the measure
0	Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention (A)	Patients 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months AND who received tobacco cessation intervention if identified as a tobacco user.  Tobacco Use – Includes any type of tobacco, including smokeless/e-cigs/vaping  Tobacco Cessation Intervention – Includes brief counseling (3 minutes or less), and/or pharmacotherapy. Written self-help materials (eg, brochures, pamphlets) and complementary/ alternative therapies do not qualify for the numerator.
	Screening for Depression and Follow- Up Plan(A)	Percentage of patients aged 12 years and older screened for depression on the date of the encounter or up to 14 days prior to the date of the encounter using an age-appropriate standardized depression screening tool (examples: PHQ-2, PHQ-9) AND if positive, a follow-up plan is documented on the date of the eligible encounter. A <b>follow-up plan</b> must include one of the following: referral to a provider for additional evaluation and assessment, pharmacologic interventions, or other interventions or follow up for the diagnosis or treatment of depression. Codes: Administration of Screen: <b>G0444</b> , Positive PHQ-9 (5 or greater) AND a follow-up plan is documented <b>G8431</b> , Negative PHQ-9 (4 or less): <b>G8510</b>
Mental Health	Depression Remission at Twelve Months (A)	Patients 12 to 17 years of age and adult patients 18 years of age or older with major depression or dysthymia who reached remission 12 months (+/- 60 days) after an index event date. Index Event Date: The date in which the first instance of elevated PHQ-9 greater than nine AND diagnosis of depression or dysthymia occurs. Remission: defined as a PHQ-9 score of less than five. Exclusions: Patients with an active diagnosis of bipolar disorder, personality disorder, schizophrenia or psychotic disorder, pervasive developmental disorder any time prior to the end of the measurement period, patients who died, patients who received hospice or palliative care, or who were permanent nursing home residents any time during the denominator identification period or the measure assessment period.

(A) – This measure is reported for ACO/MIPS Quality performance



### **MEDICARE MEASURES**

Category	Measure Title	Specifications
Care for Older Adults	Medication Review	A review of all a patient's medications, including prescription medications, OTC medications and herbal or supplemental therapies.
The percentage of adults 66 years of age and older who	Pain Assessment	At least one pain assessment is documented each year. Documentation must include either:  • that the patient was assessed for pain (positive or negative findings) or  • patient was assessed for pain using a standardized assessment tool. For example, the Numeric Pain Rating Scale (NPRS) or the Wong-Baker FACES Pain Rating Scale.
had each of the following during the measurement year	Functional Assessment	<ul> <li>At least one functional assessment is documented each year. Documentation must include one of the following:         <ul> <li>Activities of Daily Living (ADL) were assessed or that at least five of the following were assessed: bathing, dressing, eating, transferring [e.g., getting in and out of chairs], using toilet, walking.</li> <li>Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL) were assessed or at least four of the following were assessed: shopping for groceries, driving or using public transportation, using the telephone, cooking or meal preparation, housework, home repair, laundry, taking medications, handling finances.</li> <li>Result of assessment using a standardized functional status assessment tool</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Transitions of Care	Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for People With Multiple High-Risk Chronic Conditions	The percentage of emergency department (ED) visits for members 18 years of age and older who have multiple high-risk chronic conditions who had a follow-up service within 7 days of the ED visit.
	Diabetes Care: Retinal Eye Exam	Diabetic retinal exam in 2024 (may be 2 years if negative)
Comprehensive Diabetes Care	Glycemic Status Assessment for Patient with Diabetes (GSD) (A) NOTE: for ACO may not use results from continuous glucose monitoring system	Percentage of diabetic patients ages 18-75 whose most recent glycemic status (hemoglobin A1C) or glucose management indicator (GMI) is <b>less than or equal to 9%</b> during 2024. Exclusion: Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services, in a long-term care facility, or advanced illness & frailty
0	Diabetes Care: Kidney Health Evaluation for Patients with Diabetes	Patients ages 18 to 85 of age with diabetes who received a kidney health evaluation during the measurement year as evidenced by both of the following:  1. eGFR: estimated glomerular filtration rate 2. uACR: urine albumin-creatinine ratio Exclusion: Patients receiving hospice or palliative care services, in a long-term care facility, or advanced illness & frailty
	Controlling High Blood Pressure (A)  The BP value in this measure meets the	Patients ages 18 – 85 with diagnosis of hypertension and whose blood pressure is adequately controlled, ≤139/89 (if hypertension is treated by a specialist, may obtain BP from their record). Blood pressure should be last one of the calendar year. Repeat any BP measurement that is above 140/90. Blood pressure may be patient-reported taken with a digital device and documented. Claim date and date for compliant BP have to match.  Systolic Blood Pressure CPT II codes:
Cardiovascular Conditions	HEDIS specifications to close the gap. According to NCQA, for a member's BP to be controlled the systolic and diastolic BP must be <140/90mm Hg (adequate control).	- 3074F SBP less than 130 - 3075F SBP 130-139 - 3077F SBP greater than or equal to 140 Diastolic Blood Pressure CPT II codes: - 3078F DBP less than 80 - 3079F DBP 80-89BP - 3080F DBP greater than or equal to 90 Exclusions: ESRD, kidney transplant, dialysis, pregnancy during 2024, non-acute inpatient
		admission during 2024, hospice or palliative care services, or living in a skilled nursing facility, advanced illness or frailty.

(A) – This measure is reported for ACO/MIPS Quality performance



### **MEDICARE MEASURES**

Category	Measure Title	Specifications				
	Influenza Immunization (A)	Patients aged 6 months and older with a visit between August 1, 2023 and March 31, 2024 who received an influenza immunization OR who reported previous receipt of an influenza immunization. Document refusal.  Percentage of males 21-75 and females 40-75 identified as having clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) and were dispensed at least one high-intensity or moderate-intensity statin medication during the year				
	Statin Therapy for Patients with Cardiovascular Disease					
	(A)	Also includes patients:  - 20 years and older who have ever had a LDL level greater that equal to 190 or were previously diagnosed with or currently have an active diagnosis of familial hypercholesterolemia; OR  - Patients aged 40-75 with a diagnosis of diabetes  Exclusions/Exceptions: pregnancy, IVF, breastfeeding, prescription for clomiphene, diagnosis of myalgia, myositis, myopathy, or rhabdomyolysis; patients with cirrhosis; patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD); hospice or palliative care, living in a skilled nursing facility; advanced illness or frailty.				
Pharmacy	Statin Therapy for Patients with Diabetes	Patients aged 40-75 with diabetes who do not have clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease and were dispensed a statin medication during the year.  Exclusions: Myocardial Infarction, CABG, PCI or other revascularization, IVD, pregnancy, IVF, prescription for clomiphene, ESRD, cirrhosis, myalgia, myositis, myopathy or rhabdomyolysis, hospice or palliative care, enrolled in long term facility, advanced illness and frailty				
0 0	Osteoporosis Management in Women Who Had a Fracture	The percentage of women ages 67-85 years of age and older who suffered a fracture and had either a bone density test or a prescription or a drug to treat or prevent osteoporosis six months after the date of the fracture. <b>Code: 4005F</b> (pharmacologic therapy [other that vitamins/minerals] for osteoporosis prescribed)			event osteoporosis	
		Exclusions: Patients who had a bone mineral test, encounter for osteoporosis therapy, received a prescription to treat osteoporosis, use of hospice or palliative care, enrolled in long term care, or advanced illness and frailty				
		Osteoporosis Medications	Description	Prescription		
			Bisphosphonates	<ul><li> Alendronate</li><li> Alendronate-cholecalciferol</li><li> Ibandronate</li></ul>	Risedronate     Zoledronic acid	
			Other Agents	<ul><li>Abaloparatide</li><li>Denosumab</li><li>Raloxifene</li></ul>	•Romosozumab •Teriparatide	
Patient Experience	Getting Needed Care (A)	In the last 6 m	nonths, how often wa	as it easy to get the care, tests, or t	treatment you needed?	
Patient Experience is a key component of our Medicare STARS rating. Surveys such as the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers	Getting Care Quickly (A)	<ul> <li>In the last 6 months, when you contacted this provider's office to get an appointment for care you needed right away, how often did you get an appointment as soon as you needed?</li> <li>In the last 6 months, when you made an appointment for a check up or routine care with this provider, how often did you get an appointment as soon as you needed?</li> <li>Wait time includes time spent in the waiting room and exam room. In the last 6 months, how often did you see the person you came to see within 15 minutes of your appointment time?</li> </ul>				
and Systems (CAHPS) are sent to your patients after they receive care. Use this QR code to view our Patient Experience Training:	Care Coordination (A)	<ul> <li>In the last 6 months, how often did this provider seem to know the important information about your medical history?</li> <li>In the last 6 months, when this provider ordered a blood test, X-ray, or other test for you, how often did someone from this provider's office follow up to give you those results?</li> <li>In the last 6 months, how often did you and someone from this provider's office talk about all the prescription medicines that you were taking?</li> <li>In the last 6 months, did you get the help you needed from this provider's office to manage your care among these different providers and services?</li> </ul>				

(A) – This measure is reported for ACO/MIPS Quality performance

### **ASSESSMENT**

# Timed Up & Go (TUG)

Purpose: To assess mobility

**Equipment:** A stopwatch

**Directions:** Patients wear their regular footwear and can use a walking aid, if needed. Begin by having the patient sit back in a standard arm chair and identify a line 3 meters, or 10 feet away, on the floor.

### 1 Instruct the patient:

### When I say "Go," I want you to:

- 1. Stand up from the chair.
- 2. Walk to the line on the floor at your normal pace.
- 7 Turn
- 4. Walk back to the chair at your normal pace.
- 5. Sit down again.
- ② On the word "Go," begin timing.
- 3 Stop timing after patient sits back down.
- 4 Record time.

### Time in Seconds:

An older adult who takes ≥12 seconds to complete the TUG is at risk for falling.

CDC's STEADI tools and resources can help you screen, assess, and intervene to reduce your patient's fall risk. For more information, visit <a href="www.cdc.gov/steadi">www.cdc.gov/steadi</a>

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Time	□ AM □ PM

### **OBSERVATIONS**

Observe the patient's postural stability, gait, stride length, and sway.

### Check all that apply:

NOTE:

Always stay by the patient for

safety.

- ☐ Slow tentative pace
- Loss of balanceShort strides
- ☐ Little or no arm swing
- $\ \square$  Steadying self on walls
- ☐ Shuffling
- ☐ En bloc turning
- ☐ Not using assistive device properly

These changes may signify neurological problems that require further evaluation.





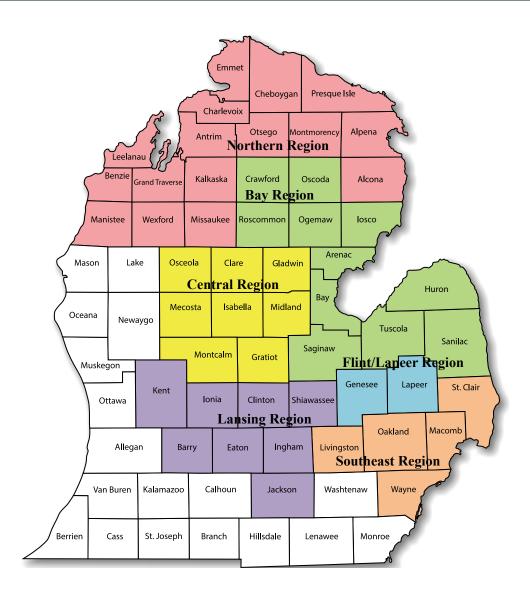
Patient Name:	
Date of Birth:	

# PATIENT HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE-9 (PHQ-9)

Over the <u>last 2 weeks</u> , how oby any of the following prob (Use "" to indicate your answ		Not at all	Several days	More than half the days	Nearly every day
1. Little interest or pleasure in	doing things	0	1	2	3
2. Feeling down, depressed, o	r hopeless	0	1	2	3
3. Trouble falling or staying asleep, or sleeping too much			1	2	3
4. Feeling tired or having little energy			1	2	3
5. Poor appetite or overeating		0	1	2	3
6. Feeling bad about yourself have let yourself or your far		0	1	2	3
7. Trouble concentrating on th newspaper or watching tele		0	1	2	3
noticed? Or the opposite -	ly that other people could have - being so fidgety or restless around a lot more than usual	0	1	2	3
Thoughts that you would be yourself in some way	better off dead or of hurting	0	1	2	3
	For office cod	ing <u>0</u> +	+	· +	
			=	Total Score:	
	ems, how <u>difficult</u> have these home, or get along with other		ade it for	you to do y	our/
Not difficult at all □	Somewhat difficult □	Very difficult □		Extreme difficul	

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