

HEDIS Tip Sheet – Pediatric Measures

Key HEDIS Factors to Consider

Rates are calculated based on specific date criteria for when the service is performed/administered, as defined by NCQA. Some childhood measures require the service to be completed *ON or BEFORE the child's birthday/age*.

-For example: Childhood Immunizations and Lead screening BY age 2, and Well Child visits in first 15months.

HEDIS data is collected through claims (administrative data) or *claims & medical record* data (Hybrid data).

- For claim (admin) data, procedure codes must reflect the actual service performed, general E&M codes *cannot* be counted.
- For Well Child visits, the E&M codes for Preventive Visits will apply.

Access to Primary Care Practitioners:

-Age Group: 12months – 19 years

-Look back period: measurement year

-Requirements: had an outpatient visit with a PCP in the measurement year.

Office/Outpatient CPT: 99201-99205, 99211-99215, 99241-99245

Annual Dental Visit:

-Age Group: 2 -21 years

-Look back period: measurement year

-Requirements: One dental exam with a dental practitioner in the measurement year

Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis:

-Age Group: 2-18 years, diagnosed with pharyngitis.

-Look back period: July 1 of the year prior to June 30 of the measurement year. (7/1/prior yr. – 6/30/measurement year).

-Requirements: dispensed an antibiotic and received a group A streptococcus (strep) test for the episode. *Rapid strep test in the office are acceptable and should be billed.*

CPT: 87070, 87071, 87081, 87430, 87650-87652, 87880

Appropriate Treatment for Children with Upper Respiratory Infection:

-Age Group: 3months – 18 years, diagnosed with Upper Respiratory Infection (URI).

-Look back period: July 1 of the year prior to June 30 of the measurement year (7/1/prior yr. – 6/30/measurement yr.).

-Requirements: members who were dispensed an antibiotic prescription. *Ensure any secondary diagnoses indicating the need for an antibiotic are submitted on the claim.*

Childhood Immunization Status:

-Age Group: Children who turn 2 years old in the measurement year

-Look back period: ends ON the child's 2nd birthday.

-Requirements: 4 Dtap, 3 IPV, 1 MMR, 3 HIB, 3 HepB, 1 VZV, 4 PCV, 2 HepA, 2 or 3 RV, and 2 flu vaccines ON or BEFORE 2nd birthday

-Considerations: if 2yr Well visit is performed *after* the child's 2nd birthday, immunizations rendered at this visit will **not** be counted!

Follow up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication

-Age group: 6-12 years newly prescribed ADHD meds

-Requirements: Initiation phase: within 30days of meds dispensed. Continuation phase: 2 or more follow up visits within 10month period

Immunizations for Adolescents:

-Age Group: 13 years

-Look back period: measurement year

-Requirements: one dose of Meningococcal vaccine and one Tdap/Td by their 13th birthday; three doses of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) by their 13th birthday

Lead Screening:

-Age Group: children who turn 2 years old in the measurement year.

-Look back period: ends ON child's 2nd birthday.

-Requirements: at least one capillary or venous blood test ON or BEFORE child's 2nd birthday. *A lead screening completed in the practitioner office is also allowable.*

CPT: 83655

Medication Management for People with Asthma:

-Age Group: 5 – 64 years, identified as having persistent asthma

-Look back period: measurement year and prior year

-Requirements: dispensed appropriate medications and remained on during treatment period within the past year.

Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition & Physical Activity:

-Age Group: 3-17 years as of 12/31

-Look back period: measurement year

-Requirements: an outpatient visit with a PCP or OB/GYN during measurement year.

Medical records documentation **must** include BMI percentile; counseling for nutrition; counseling for physical activity. *BMI measure evaluates whether BMI percentile is assessed rather than an absolute BMI value. The percentile ranking is based on CDC 'BMI for age growth chart'.*

BMI Percentile: ICD-10: Z68.51-Z68.54
Counseling for Nutrition-CPT: 97802-97804. ICD-10:Z71.3
Counseling for Phys Activ: HCPCS: G0447, S9451

Well Child Visits:

In first 15 months of life: children who turn 15months in the measurement year.

-Requirements: six or more well child visits (EPSDT) ON or BEFORE first 15months of life.

Ages 3- 6years & Adolescents ages 12-21 years:

-Requirements: at least one comprehensive well care visit (EPSDT) per year.

-Medical records documentation **must** include health history, physical development history, mental developmental history, physical exam, health education/anticipatory guidance; *visits have to be with PCP, even though PCP does not have to be the practitioner assigned to the child. (Use age appropriate codes when submitting well child visits).*

Use of Appropriate Meds for People with Asthma:

-Age Group: 5-64 years (as of 12/31) with persistent asthma

-Look back period: measurement year and prior year

-Requirements: appropriately prescribed medication during measurement year