





One of a series of tip sheets that look at key Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set measures

## Weight assessment and counseling for nutrition and physical activity for children and adolescents

This measure examines the percentage of patients ages 3 to 17 who had an outpatient visit with a primary care physician or an OB-GYN, with evidence of the following three components during the measurement year:

- BMI percentile documentation
- Counseling for nutrition
- Counseling for physical activity

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Annual measurement and documentation of:

- 1. Date of visit
- 2. Documenting BMI percentile includes:
  - Height, weight and BMI percentile from the same data source in the same measurement year
- 3. Documenting nutritional counseling includes:
  - Current information on diet and nutrition (dietary preferences, meals, habits)
  - Nutritional counseling or referral
- 4. Documenting physical activity counseling includes:
  - Current information on activity (sports or activities done at home)
  - Physical activity counseling or referral

## Tip:

Submitting BMI can be done through supplemental data exchange or through claims with proper coding.

- BMI %: ICD10 Z68.51 Z68.54
- Counseling on nutrition: ICD10 Z71.3, CPT: 97802 and 97803 and 97804
- **Counseling on physical activity:** *Note:* There is no applicable ICD10 code. Submit physical activity counseling through Health e-Blue Web.

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## Documentation examples

- BMI percentile plotted on an age/growth chart
- Notes describing educational materials on nutrition and activity that were given to the patient during a face-to-face visit

Note: Documenting weight and obesity counseling satisfies physical activity and nutritional counseling elements.