

2018 NPO Quality Measures Quick Reference for PCPs



Measure Name	Description	Details	BCBS (PGIP/PCMH/MA/BCN)	Priority PIP	ACO
ADHD Rx-ages 6-12: Initiation, Continuation & Maintenance	One visit within 30 days of new Rx. THEN 2 visits within days 31-300 (1 may be phone encounter).	Telehealth visit does not count for Initiation visit, but may be used for one of the two visits day 31-300 <i>exclusions see footnote *1</i>	✓	n/a	n/a
Annual Lab Monitoring for Patients on Persistent Medications	ACE/ARB and Diuretics	BMP, Cr, and K, or Cr ; once annually	✓	n/a	n/a
Antidepressant Medication Mgmt: Acute Phase and Continuation	% of pts. w-dx of major depression who were treated with antidepressant medication, and who remained on that med tx.	Age 18+ (MDD dx). Acute phase is 12 weeks continuous Rx treatment. Continuation phase is 6 months continuous Rx tx.	✓	n/a	n/a
Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis-	Ages 3-18: if dx'd with pharyngitis and ATB given, Group A Strep test should have been done 3 days prior - 3 days after visit.	Excluded if any dx other than pharyngitis with encounter.	✓	n/a	n/a
Appropriate Treatment for Children with URI	Age 3 mo-18 yrs: single dx of URI should not be treated with ATB on or 3 days after visit date	Excluded if any other dx than URI with encounter.	✓	n/a	n/a
Asthma Med Management	Ages 5-64: having persistent asthma, dispensed and remaining on appropriate medications	All med management measures measured using Rx claims so Rxs actually filled.	✓	n/a	n/a
Avoidance of ATB Rx in Adults with Acute Bronchitis	Age 18-64: dx is watched for lack of ATB Rx on date of service or within 3 days		✓	n/a	n/a
Breast Cancer Screening	Ages 50-74: One mammogram within 24 months (includes Digital breast tomosynthesis (3D mammography), film, and diagnostic)	Excludes bilateral or two unilateral mastectomy pts., pts. 65 yrs. + in Institutional Needs Plans or living in Long Term Care any time during	✓	n/a	✓
Care Management	Full time or part time care manager, required CE, billed claims, attestation. PH: Uses risk-adjusted target & 2 billed claims. BCBS: 3% of eligible patients with min. of 2 claims per pt.	BCBS: Attest through NPO in Dec.	✓	✓	n/a
Cervical Cancer Screenings	Women ages 21-64. Ages 21-64 may have cervical cytology done every 3 yrs. Ages 30-64 may have cervical cytology and HPV cotesting done every 5 yrs.	Pts with h/o hysterectomy without residual cervix excluded - required documentation includes: "No residual cervix," "Total hysterectomy," "radical," or "complete."	✓	✓	n/a
Chlamydia screening	Sexually active women 16-24 yrs old, once per measurement year.	<i>"sexually active" definition see footnote *2</i>	n/a	✓	n/a
Colorectal Cancer Screening	Ages 50-75: 1 or more of home FOBT in the yr (if iFOBT is documented, the measure is met, if gFOBT is documented-three samples required) ; flex sig in yr or past 4 yrs; colonoscopy in yr or past 9 yrs. FIT DNA (Cologuard) in yr or last 2 years & CT Colonography qualifies if completed in yr or past 4 yrs.	Excludes pts with dx of colorectal cancer or h/o total colectomy; exclude pts. 65 yrs. + in Institutional Needs Plans or living in Long Term Care any time during measure period, and pts. in Hospice/using Hospice services any time during measurement period.	✓	✓	✓
COPD Exacerbations: Med Mgmt	Ages 40+: If inpt. stay or ED visit for COPD exac, must be given systemic steroids w/in 14 days or bronchodilator within 30 days of discharge.		✓	n/a	n/a
Depression Screening & Flwp.	age 12+ at annual preventive exam.	PH - use PHQ 2,4 or 9. ACO use age appropriate screening AND if +, document f/u plan. Can submit billing codes.	n/a	✓	✓

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Depression Remission	Age 18 years+ w/ major depression or dysthymia diagnosis (new or existing) that have had one or more PHQ-9s performed during the reporting period (12 months +/- 30 days) with a score greater than 9. A follow-up PHQ-9 performed with a score less than 5 at 12 months (+/- 30 days) of the initial PHQ-9. Remission is defined as a PHQ-9 score less than 5.	Exclude permanent nursing home pts(>1yr anytime prior to start of measurement period), active dx of bipolar or personality disorder.	n/a	n/a	✓
DM Care: Annual Retinal Eye Exam	Age 18-75: Retinal exam done in measurement yr or negative retinal exam in yr prior.	**Bilateral eye enucleation" also is a indicator a retinal eye exam was performed per HEDIS.	✓	✓	✓
DM HbA1c Control	Age 18-75 w-DM dx. BCBS has 2 measurements (equal to or below 7.9% and less than or equal to 9%); PH uses 3 tiers (<7.0%, <8.0% & less than or equal to 9.0%) ACO = > 9%. No test/result in measurement year considered poor control.	All payers: Patients w- gestational or steroid-induced DM; pts. in Hospice or using Hospice Services during the measurement period are excluded. PH: Several exclusions for < 7%. <i>see footnote *3</i>	✓	✓	✓
DM & Nephropathy	Check micro albumin or pt has dx of nephropathy, or treatment with ACE/ARB, or nephrology visit		✓	✓	n/a
Anti-Rheumatic Drug Therapy for RA	BCBS-MA 18+, dx RA, dispensed 1+ script for DMARD		✓	n/a	n/a
Fall Risk Screening	Age 65+, Future Fall Risk Screening once per measurement year.	Documentation of no falls, 1 fall w/o injury, 2+ falls, or any fall with injury in the past year. Phone screening ok.	n/a	n/a	✓
Follow-up after Hospitalization - Medical 7 Days	Age 18-85 who had flwp. PCP or Specialist visit w/in 7 days hospital discharge (BCBSM, MA & PH) pts. with HTN dx:	The goal of this measure is to aid in medication reconciliation, post discharge and to avoid member readmissions	✓	n/a	n/a
Hypertension: Controlled Blood Pressure <140/90	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • under age 60 goal <140/90 • age 60-85 w-DM dx goal <140/90 • age 60-85 without DM dx goal <150/90 (ACO) pts. with HTN dx: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • age 18-85 goal: <140/90 	Last blood pressure of the year used Exclude pts. 65 yrs. + in Institutional Needs Plans or living in Long Term Care any time during measure period, pts. in Hospice/using Hospice services any time during measurement period	✓	✓	✓
Immunization Status: Childhood	Immunizations provided. PH: Combo 3; BCBS Combo 10	*BCN Flu shot only	✓	✓	n/a
Immunizations: Adolescent (& HPV)	By 13th Birthday: Combination 2 meningococcal conjugate and Tdap, & 2 HPV.		✓	✓	n/a
Influenza Immunization	Age 6 months plus; immunization provided.	Document pt. refusal in EMR	n/a	n/a	✓
Ischemic Vascular Disease and Use of Aspirin or other Anti-Platelet	ACO: 18+ with IVD, documented use of aspirin or another antiplatelet in medical record.	Exclusion: Use of an anti-coagulant at some point during measurement year	n/a	n/a	✓
Lead Screening	Done once before 2nd birthday		n/a	✓	n/a
Low Back Pain Use & Imaging	Measures pts who did NOT have any imaging studies within 28 days of dx. For patients with no claims/encounters with any diagnosis of low back pain of 180 days prior.	Excludes claims based cancer hx, trauma, IVDA, neurologic impairment, prolonged use of corticosteroids, HIV, major organ transplant or spinal infection diagnosis codes.	✓	n/a	✓
Medication Adherence: DM, HTN & Cholesterol	% Adults w-2 or more Rx fills for oral DM medication, ACE/ARB, calcium channel blocker, HCTZ or Statin	Must be on for 80% or more days of measurement year. <i>See footnotes *4 & *5</i>	✓	n/a	n/a

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Medication Reconciliation After Discharge from an Inpatient Facility	Percentage pts. age 65+ discharged from inpatient facility and seen by PCP w-in 30 days - must have meds reconciled and med record documented.	ACO Participants: Data pulled from NPO Community Registry using ACO Data Mapping Documentation or by NPO.	n/a	n/a	✓
Osteoporosis Management in Women who had a Fracture	% women 67–85 years old who had fracture and who had either a (BMD) test, or Rx for a drug to treat/prevent osteoporosis in the 6 months after the date of fracture.	Exclude pts. 65 yrs. + in Institutional Needs Plans or living in Long Term Care any time during measure period, pts. in Hospice/using Hospice services any time during measurement period	✓	n/a	n/a
Pneumococcal Vaccination	Age 65+ EVER received	If received from 2015–2018 on: Pt-reported data acceptable as long as date (year) and type of vaccine (PCV13 & PPSV23) documented in EMR. If received before 2015: Pt.-reported data indicating receipt of vaccine sufficient. Type not required.	n/a	n/a	✓
Risk Adjustment Education	PH: Incentive for completing Risk Adjustment Education and Adoption as defined in Priority PIP manual 2018	Practices participating in the Advanced Health Assessment Program (AHA) will not be eligible for this measure.	n/a	✓	n/a
Senior Care Education	64+ PH pts. Implementation required by May 31. Please see PIP manual for specifics.	To receive credit for this incentive, at least one person in practice must complete a pre-recorded educational webcast and complete the attestation survey at the end of the webcast by 6/1/18.	n/a	✓	n/a
Statin Therapy for the Prevention and Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease	ACO: Percentage patients prescribed or were on statin therapy during measurement period: age 21 or + previously diagnosed with or currently have active diagnosis of clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD); OR age 21 or+ with a fasting or direct low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) level ≥ 190 mg/dL; OR 40-75 with diagnosis of diabetes with a fasting or direct LDL-C level of 70-189 mg/dL	<i>exclusions see footnote *6</i>	n/a	n/a	✓
Tobacco Use Assessment and Tobacco Cessation Intervention	ACO: Tobacco use, including chewing tobacco, screened once in measurement year or year prior. Document counseling for tobacco users.		n/a	n/a	✓
Weight Assessment in Adults & Follow-up (follow-up ACO only)	PH: BMI submitted at least once/yr via claim or Web form, BCBS: once per msrmt yr or previous yr, BCBS: BMI percentile for 18 & 19 year olds; PH: equal to and under age 20 BMI Percentile; ACO: pulled by NPO and normals are: age 18 and older, BMI ≥ 18.5 to <25.	ACO-only: BMI not in normal range (above or below) requires documented f/u plan of education, referral, Rx, exercise counseling, or nutrition counseling. PH: Medicare & Medicaid only Adults aged 21-74 Use billing codes.	✓	✓	✓
Weight Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity in Children and Adolescents	PH: Ages 3-20 BMI Percentile Measured and documented; BCBS Ages 3-17 BMI Percentile Measured and documented and activity and nutrition counseling performed	PH: If child has multiple E&M visits during the year, only first visit will be eligible for measurement. Use billing codes. (entry in Healthy e-Blue continues to be acceptable).	✓	✓	n/a
Well Child Visits-age birth to 15 months.	6 or more visits before 15 months old.	Claims based	✓	✓	n/a
Well Child Visits ages 3-6 Years	One well child visit during calendar year	Claims based	✓	✓	n/a
Well-Care Visits Adolescents	Children 12-21years: at least 1 visit w/PCP or OB/GYN during calendar yr	Claims based	✓	n/a	n/a

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HOSPITAL BASED AND/OR ORGANIZATION ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES					
Admission-Pts with DM	Rate of risk-standardized acute, unplanned hospital admissions age 65+ with diabetes who are assigned to the Accountable Care Organization (ACO).	Claims based	n/a	n/a	✓
Admission-Pts with HF	Rate of risk-standardized acute, unplanned hospital admissions age 65+ with HF who are assigned to the Accountable Care Organization (ACO).	Excludes pts w/ LVADs. Claims based.	n/a	n/a	✓
Admission-Pts with Multiple Chronic Conditions	Rate of risk-standardized acute, unplanned hospital admissions, 65+, 2 or more chronic disease groups (AMI, Alzheimer's or related disorders, senile dementia, Afib, CKD,	Claims based	n/a	n/a	✓
Ambulatory Sensitive Condition Acute Composite	Totals discharges where principle AV diagnosis was dehydration, bacterial pneumonia or UTI for patients aged 18 years +.	Discharges in numerator assigned to denominator based on the metropolitan area/ county of the patient residence, not metropolitan area/county of hospital where discharge occurred.	n/a	n/a	✓
CAHPS (Consumer Assessment of Health Care Providers and Systems)	Pt Satisfaction survey (timely appts, communication, rating of provider, access to specialist, education, shared decision making, health status, stewardship of pt resources)	Requires 50-250 surveys based on the # of providers/practice.	n/a	✓	✓
PCMH (Patient Centered Medical Home)		BCBS provides incentive for designation; PH provides separate incentive for PH Medicaid pts only.	✓	✓	n/a
Readmissions w/in 30 days of discharge	Risk-adjusted percentage of ACO assigned beneficiaries who were hospitalized who were then readmitted to a hospital within 30 days following discharge from the hospital for the index admission.	excludes cancer dx, primary mental illness dx, rehab, transfer to another acute care hospital, discharged AMA	n/a	n/a	✓
Readmissions: SNF 30-day All-Cause	After discharge from a SNF, the rate of unplanned readmissions to an acute hospital w/in 30 days for ACO beneficiaries.	excludes cancer and psychiatric d/c, AMA	n/a	n/a	✓

1. Excludes pts with mental health dx or chemical dependency dx 30 days after ADHD Rx start date. Also excludes pts with inpt. tx for either of these 300 days after ADHD rx start date. Exclude patients with dx of narcolepsy anytime
2. Sexually active definition: Women are identified as sexually active by either Pharmacy claims data & Claims/encounter data
3. PH Exclusions: HbA1C < 7.0%: Patients 65 years of age and older, patients discharged in the measurement year or the year prior for CABG, a PCI encounter or IVD diagnosis during the measurement year or the year prior, or members with at least one encounter of CHF, thoracic aortic aneurysm, a prior MI, Chronic renal failure/end-stage renal disease, dementia, blindness or a lower extremity amputation
4. Members who have one or more insulin Rx fills during the measurement period are excluded from DM Adherence.
5. Exclusions: ESRD, Pregnancy dx, Non-acute inpatient, Polycystic Ovary Disease w/o a face-to-face encounter w/DM dx, Gestational or steroid-induced dm w/o a face-to-face encounter w/DM dx.
6. Exclusions: ACO: Pt with adverse effect such as rhabdomyolysis, allergy or intolerance to statin, pts pregnant or breastfeeding, receiving palliative care, active liver disease/hepatic disease, end stage renal disease (ESRD), and diabetics with have a fasting or direct LDL-C laboratory test result < 70 mg/dL and are not taking statin therapy. BCBS: Patients with cardiovascular disease or ischemic vascular disease (IVD), pregnancy, ESRD, cirrhosis, myalgia, myositis, myopathy, or rhabdomyolysis.

Sources: 2018 Priority PIP Manual, 2018 BCBS Quality Rewards booklet: Provider Incentive Program, 2018 BCBS PCMH Measures, 2018 HEDIS Manual, 2018 BCN/BCBS MA Measures, 2018 ACO Narrative Measure Specifications And Web Interface Measures