



HEDIS MEASURE

Initiation and Engagement of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence Treatment (IET)



Measure Overview

The NCQA HEDIS® Initiation and Engagement of Alcohol and other Drug Abuse or Dependence Treatment (IET) measure looks at the rate of initial engagement in substance use disorder (SUD) treatment. It measures the percentage of adolescent (13-17 years) and adult (18+ years) patients with a new diagnosis of alcohol or other drug (AOD) abuse or dependence who initiated treatment or partial hospitalization, telehealth or medication treatment within 14 days of the diagnosis. The measure not only looks at the percentage of patients who initiated treatment within 14 days of the diagnosis, but also the percentage of patients who initiated treatment and who were engaged in ongoing AOD treatment within 34 days of the initiation visit.

Providing holistic, patient-centered care and educating patients to engage in SUD treatment once diagnosed is recommended to make sure they are aware of their treatment options and are encouraged to take the necessary steps in their recovery.

How to Improve Measure Performance

- Educate the patient about the importance of initiating and remaining engaged in treatment because the treatment works and recovery is possible
- Provide patient-centered care with evidenced-based clinical practices
- Make outreach calls to patients to remind them of appointments
- Provide physical appointment cards to help patients remember appointments
- Conduct same-day assessments or allow walk-in assessments

- Centralize appointment scheduling and increase appointment availability
- Provide patient incentives for attending appointments, such as bus passes
- Decrease complexity of intake processes
- Improve the patient experience, such as satisfaction surveys
- Use correct HEDIS-compliant codes when billing for the initiation and engagement treatment. Please see the reverse side of this document for a complete list of HEDIS-compliant codes
- Promote transition and support resources available in the community
- Collaborate with CareSource on care coordination to connect the patient to needed services, such as transportation

NCQA HEDIS Defined Qualified Mental Health Professionals Include

- An MD or Doctor of Osteopathy (DO) who is certified as a psychiatrist or child psychiatrist by the American Medical Specialties Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, or by the American Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry; or if not certified, who successfully completed an accredited program of graduate medical or osteopathic education in psychiatry or child psychiatry and is licensed to practice patient care psychiatry or child psychiatry, if required by the state of practice.

- An individual who is licensed as a psychologist in his/her state of practice, if required by the state of practice.
- An individual who is certified in clinical social work by the American Board of Examiners; who is listed on the National Association of Social Worker's Clinical Register; or who has a master's degree in social work and is licensed or certified to practice as a social worker, if required by the state of practice.
- A registered nurse (RN) who is certified by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (a subsidiary of the American Nurses Association) as a psychiatric nurse or mental health clinical nurse specialist, or who has a master's degree in nursing with a specialization in psychiatric/mental health and two years of supervised clinical experience and is licensed to practice as a psychiatric or mental health nurse, if required by the state of practice.
- An individual (normally with a master's or a doctoral degree in marital and family therapy and at least two years of supervised clinical experience) who is practicing as a marital and family therapist and is licensed, or a certified counselor by the state of practice, or if licensure or certification is not required by the state of practice, who is eligible for clinical membership in the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy.
- An individual (normally with a master's or doctoral degree in counseling and at least two years of supervised clinical experience) who is practicing as a professional counselor and who is licensed or certified to do so by the state of practice, or if licensure or certification is not required by the state of practice, is a National Certified Counselor with a Specialty Certification in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC).

HEDIS Follow-Up Visit Compliance Codes

INDIVIDUAL CODES	COMBINATION CODES
<p>CPT: 98960-98962, 99078, 99201-99205, 99211-99215, 99217-99220, 99241-99245, 99341-99345, 99347-99350, 99384-99387, 99394-99397, 99401-99404, 99408, 99409, 99411, 99412, 99510</p> <p>HCPCS: G0155, G0176, G0177, G0396, G0397, G0409-G0411, G0443, G0463, G2086, G2087, G2069, G2070, G2072, G2073, G2071, G2074, G2075, G2076, G2077, G2080, H0001, H0002, H0004, H0005, H0007, H0015, H0016, H0022, H0031, H0034-H0037, H0039, H0040, H0047, H2000, H2001, H2010-H2020, H2035, H2036, S0201, S9480, S9484, S9485, T1006, T1012, T1015</p> <p>Revenue Code: 0510, 0513, 0515-0517, 0519-0523, 0526-0529, 0900, 0902-0907, 0911-0917, 0919, 0944, 0945, 0982, 0983</p>	<p>CPT: 90791, 90792, 90832-90834, 90836-90840, 90845, 90847, 90849, 90853, 90875, 90876</p> <p><i>With</i></p> <p>Place of Service: 02, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11-20, 22, 33, 49, 50, 52, 53, 57, 71, 72</p> <p>CPT: 99221-99223, 99231-99233, 99238, 99239, 99251-99255</p> <p><i>With</i></p> <p>Place of Service: 02, 52, 53</p> <p>Telephone Visit CPT: 98966-98968, 99441-99443</p> <p><i>OR</i></p> <p>Online Assessment CPT: 98969, 99444</p> <p><i>OR</i></p> <p>HCPCS: H0020, H0033, J0571-J0575, J2315, S0109</p>

Please Note: The codes in this document are derived from the NCQA HEDIS 2019 Volume 2 Technical Specifications for Health Plans. These codes are examples of codes typically billed for this type of service and are subject to change. Submitting claims using these codes helps improve reporting of quality measure performance. Billing these codes does not guarantee payment.

Certified Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) providers should refer to the DBHDD manual prior to claim submission at <https://dbhdd.georgia.gov/community-provider-manuals> for state billing guidance. If you are not a DBHDD provider, you will follow the physician fee schedule.

Source: <https://aspe.hhs.gov/system/files/pdf/260791/BestSUD.pdf>