

# What is HEDIS®

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## HEDIS (HĒ-DIS)

Healthcare  
Effectiveness  
Data and  
Information  
Set

- HEDIS is a performance measurement tool that is coordinated and administered by NCQA (National Committee for Quality Assurance) and used by Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for monitoring the performance of managed care organizations.
- All managed care companies who are NCQA accredited perform HEDIS reviews the same time each year.
- A subset of HEDIS measures will be collected and reported for the marketplace (health care exchanges) product lines.
- HEDIS is a retrospective review of services and performance of care.
- Results are used to measure performance, identify quality initiatives and provide educational programs for providers and members.

## HIPAA

Under the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule, data collection for HEDIS is permitted and the release of this information requires no special patient consent or authorization. Please be assured our members' personal health information is maintained in accordance with all federal and state laws. Data is reported collectively without individual identifiers. All of the health plans' contracted providers' records are protected by this.

HEDIS data collection and release of information is permitted under HIPAA since the disclosure is part of quality assessment and improvement activities.

## What is your role in HEDIS?

We appreciate your cooperation and timeliness in submitting the requested medical record information.

- You play a central role in promoting the health of our members.
- You and your office staff can help facilitate the HEDIS process improvement by:
  - Providing the appropriate care within the designated time frames
  - Documenting all care in the patient's medical record
  - Accurately coding all claims
  - Responding to our requests for medical records within 10 business days
- The records you provide us during this process help us to validate the quality of care provided to our members.

## Medicaid hybrid HEDIS measures

- ABA – Adult body mass index assessment
- AWC – Adolescent well-care visits
- CBP – Controlling high blood pressure
- CCS – Cervical cancer screening
- CDC – Comprehensive diabetes care
- CIS – Childhood immunization status
- FPC – Frequency of ongoing prenatal care
- HPV – Human papillomavirus vaccine for female adolescents
- IMA – Immunizations for adolescents
- LSC – Lead screening in children
- PPC – Prenatal and postpartum care
- WCC – Weight assessment/counseling for nutrition and physical activity for children/adolescents
- W15 – Well-child visits in the first 15 months of life
- W34 – Well-child visits in the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th years of life