

NQF # 0059

Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Poor Control (>9.0%)

### Measure Status

**Endorsement Type:** Endorsed

**Endorsement Date:** 8/10/2009 12:00:00 AM

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**Corresponding Measures:**

**Measure Type:** Outcome: Intermediate Clinical Outcome

**Measure Format** measure

### Measure Details

**Measure Steward:** National Committee for Quality Assurance

**Measure Description:** The percentage of patients 18-75 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) whose most recent HbA1c level is >9.0% during the measurement year.

**Numerator Statement:** Patients whose most recent HbA1c level is greater than 9.0% or is missing a result, or for whom an HbA1c test was not done during the measurement year.

**Denominator Statement:** Patients 18-75 years of age by the end of the measurement year who had a diagnosis of diabetes (type 1 and type 2) during the measurement year or the year prior to the measurement year.

**Exclusions:** This measure excludes adults in hospice. It also excludes adults with advanced illness and frailty, as well as Medicare adults 65 years of age and older enrolled in an I-SNP or living long-term in institutional settings.

Additionally, exclude patients who had a diagnosis of gestational diabetes or steroid-induced diabetes, in any setting during the measurement year or the year prior to the

measurement year and who did NOT have a diagnosis of diabetes. These patients are sometimes pulled into the denominator via pharmacy data. They are then removed once no additional diagnosis of diabetes (Type 1 or Type II) is found.

**Risk Adjustment:** No

### **Harmonization Requested**

**Harmonization Action:**

**Measure(s) Considered in Harmonization Request:**

#### **Classification**

**Use in Federal Program:** Medicaid, Medicare Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS), Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP), Physician Feedback/Quality and Resource Use Reports (QRUR), Physician Value-Based Payment Modifier (VBM)

**Condition:** Endocrine, Endocrine: Diabetes

**Non-Condition Specific:**

**Care Setting:** Outpatient Services

**National Quality Strategy Priorities:** Effective Communication and Care Coordination

**Actual/Planned Use:** Payment Program, Professional Certification or Recognition Program, Public Reporting, Quality Improvement (external benchmarking to organizations), Regulatory and Accreditation Programs

**Data Source:** Claims, Electronic Health Data, Electronic Health Records, Paper Medical Records

**Level of Analysis:** Health Plan

**Target Population:** Populations at Risk

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