

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT MEASURES

NQF #0018 – Controlling Blood Pressure

[Specifications link](#)

Patients 18 - 85 years of age who had a diagnosis of essential hypertension within the first six months of the measurement period, or any time prior to the measurement period.

Patients whose blood pressure at the most recent visit is adequately controlled (systolic blood pressure < 140 mmHg and diastolic blood pressure < 90 mmHg) during the measurement period.

NQF #0028 – Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use

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[ECQI Specifications link](#)

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months and who received cessation counseling intervention if identified as a tobacco user.

Patients 18-years and older seen twice for any reason or once for preventive screening in prior two years.

NQF #0038 – Childhood Immunization Status

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Children who have evidence showing they received recommended vaccines, had documented history of the illness, had a seropositive test result, or had an allergic reaction to the vaccine by their second birthday.

Children who turn 2 years of age during the measurement period and who have a visit during the measurement period.

NQF #0059 – Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Poor Control (>9%)

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Patients 18 to 75 years of age with diabetes who had hemoglobin A1c > 9.0% during the measurement period.

Patients 18 to 75 by end of measurement year with Type 1 or 2 diabetes during measurement period or during prior year.

NQF #0419 – Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record

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Patients aged 18 years and older for which the eligible professional attests to documenting a list of current medications on the date of the encounter. This list must include ALL known prescriptions, over-the-counters, herbals, and vitamin/mineral/dietary (nutritional) supplements AND must contain the medication's name, dosage, frequency and route of administration.

Patients aged 18 and older on day of an encounter submitting a CPT/HCPCS code within the measurement period.