Diagnosis and Treatment of Chronic Liver Disease: Review of the Performance Measures by the Performance Measurement Committee of the American College of Physicians

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**Recommendation**
ACP supports NQF 0635: “Chronic Liver Disease-Hepatitis A Vaccination.”

**Rationale**
ACP supports this measure because it is aligned with the clinical recommendations from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

**Measure Specifications**

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<th><strong>NQF 0635: Chronic Liver Disease-Hepatitis A Vaccination</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Status:</strong> Endorsement Removed, Last Updated Oct 14, 2014 (Public Reporting, Quality Improvement)</td>
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<td><strong>Measure Steward:</strong> ActiveHealth Management</td>
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<td><strong>Description:</strong> The percentage of adult patients with chronic liver disease who have received a hepatitis A vaccine</td>
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<td><strong>Numerator Statement:</strong> Patients with chronic liver disease who have received a hepatitis A vaccine</td>
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<td><strong>Denominator Statement:</strong> All patients, ages 18 and older, diagnosed with chronic liver disease</td>
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<td><strong>Exclusions:</strong> Specific Exclusions: 1. Patients with a previous history of viral hepatitis 2. Patients who report an allergy to Hepatitis A vaccine A. General exclusions: 1. Evidence of metastatic disease or active treatment of malignancy (chemotherapy or radiation therapy) in the last 6 months; 2. Patients who have been in a skilled nursing facility in the last 3 months (this exclusion is included to avoid holding physicians who care for patients during a transitional period, e.g. temporary SNF placement, for their ongoing care; hence, the time limitation of 3 months).</td>
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