Diagnosis and Treatment of Diabetes: Review of the Performance Measures by the Performance Measurement Committee of the American College of Physicians

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Recommendation
ACP supports NQF 0057: “Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Hemoglobin A1c Testing.”

Rationale
ACP supports this measure because it aligns with recommendations on diabetes management by the American Diabetes Association.

Measure Specifications

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<th>NQF 0057: Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Hemoglobin A1c Testing</th>
<th>Status:</th>
<th>NQF Endorsed, Last Updated Sep 02, 2014</th>
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<td>Measure Steward:</td>
<td>National Committee for Quality Assurance</td>
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<td>Description: The percentage of patients 18-75 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) who received an HbA1c test during the measurement year.</td>
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<td>Numerator Statement: Patients who had an HbA1c test performed during the measurement year.</td>
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<td>Denominator Statement: Patients 18-75 years of age by the end of the measurement year who had a diagnosis of diabetes (type 1 or type 2) during the measurement year or the year prior to the measurement year.</td>
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<td>Exclusions: Exclusions (optional): -Exclude patients who did not have a diagnosis of diabetes, in any setting, during the measurement year or the year prior to the measurement year. AND -Exclude patients who meet either of the following criteria: -A diagnosis of polycystic ovaries, in any setting, any time in the patient’s history through December 31 of the measurement year. -A diagnosis of gestational or steroid-induced diabetes, in any setting, during the measurement year or the year prior to the measurement year.</td>
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<td>Type of Measure: Process</td>
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<td>Level of Analysis: Health Plan, Integrated Delivery System</td>
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<td>Care Setting: Ambulatory Care: Clinician Office/Clinic</td>
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<td>Data Source: Administrative claims, Electronic Clinical Data: Electronic Health Record, Electronic Clinical Data: Laboratory, Paper Medical Records</td>
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