



2023 Medicare Part B Claims Specifications Release Notes

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2023 Measure Specifications for Medicare Part B Claims Release Notes

CMS is pleased to announce the release of the 2023 Individual Measure Specifications for Medicare Part B Claims collection type Release Notes. Measure developers, professional organizations, and other stakeholders have provided comments, clarifications and technical corrections. The list below details changes to existing measures made since the release of the 2022 QPP Measure Specifications.

Global Edits to Measure Specifications:

- Updated Copyright
- Updated Measure Flows
- Removed Meaningful Measure Area
- Removed National Quality Strategy Domain
- For measures that do not allow telehealth, updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to)

Quality ID #001: Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) Poor Control (>9%)

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99343
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT or HCPCS: 97802, 97803, 97804, G0270, G0271
- Updated Denominator Exclusion codes for identifying advanced illness
- Updated Denominator Exclusion headers
- Updated Numerator Instructions
- Updated Rationale and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #024: Communication with the Physician or Other Clinician Managing On-Going Care Post-Fracture for Men and Women Aged 50 Years and Older

- No Significant Changes

Quality ID #039: Screening for Osteoporosis for Women Aged 65-85 Years of Age

- Added Numerator Definitions
- Denominator Exclusion ICD-10 diagnosis codes were moved to the Numerator Definition
- Added Numerator Options: Denominator Exclusion (M1153)

Quality ID #047: Advance Care Plan

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99218, 99219, 99220, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99343

Quality ID #076: Prevention of Central Venous Catheter (CVC) - Related Bloodstream Infections

- Finalized removal for 2023

Quality ID #110: Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization

- Finalized for partial removal for 2023, only available for MIPS Value Pathways (MVP) reporting and no longer available for traditional MIPS reporting
- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99241, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99343
- Added Numerator Options: Denominator Exclusion (M1154)
- Updated Denominator Statement and Denominator Note
- Updated Numerator Instructions
- Updated Measure Description, Instructions, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #111: Pneumococcal Vaccination Status for Older Adults

- Finalized for partial removal for 2023, only available for MIPS Value Pathways (MVP) reporting and no longer available for traditional MIPS reporting
- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99343, 99385, 99386, 99395, 99396
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 90945, 90947, 90960, 90961, 90962, 90966, 90970, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245, 99401, 99402, 99403, 99404, 99411, 99412, 99429, 99512
- Updated Numerator Options: Performance Met (G9991) and Performance Not Met (G9990)
- Removed Numerator Options: Performance Met (G9989)
- Added Numerator Options: Denominator Exclusion (M1155, M1156, M1157, M1158)
- Updated Denominator Note
- Updated Numerator Statement, Added Numerator Definitions, and Updated Numerator Note
- Updated Measure Description, Instructions, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #112: Breast Cancer Screening

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99343, 99385, 99395
- Updated Denominator Exclusion codes for identifying advanced illness
- Updated Denominator Exclusion headers
- Updated Numerator Statement
- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #113: Colorectal Cancer Screening

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- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99343
- Updated Denominator Exclusion codes for identifying advanced illness
- Updated Denominator Exclusion headers
- Updated Denominator Criteria and Denominator Statement
- Updated Measure Description and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #117: Diabetes: Eye Exam

- Finalized removal for 2023

Quality ID #128: Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up Plan

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99318, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99339, 99340
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 99341, 99342, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, 99350, 99424, 99491
- Added Denominator Criteria Modifiers: POS 12 based on 2023 American Medical Association (AMA) CPT updates
- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02, FQ, 93
- Updated Numerator Instructions

Quality ID #130: Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record

- Finalized removal for 2023

Quality ID #134: Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Depression and Follow-Up Plan

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99318, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99339, 99340
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 97164, 98966, 98967, 98968, 99341, 99342, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, 99350, 99424, 99441, 99442, 99491, 99443
- Added Denominator Exclusion codes for identifying patients who have been diagnosed with depression or bipolar disorder
- Added Denominator Criteria Modifiers: POS 12 based on 2023 American Medical Association (AMA) CPT updates
- Updated Denominator Statement and Denominator Note
- Updated Numerator Statement, Numerator Instructions, and Numerator Definitions

- Updated Measure Description and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #141: Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Reduction of Intraocular Pressure (IOP) by 15% OR Documentation of a Plan of Care

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 99341, 99342, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, 99350
- Added Denominator Criteria Modifiers: POS 12 based on 2023 American Medical Association (AMA) CPT updates
- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #145: Radiology: Exposure Dose Indices Reported for Procedures Using Fluoroscopy

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 36100, 50590, 64610, 74190, 74283, 74290, 74455, 74740, 75820, 75822
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 33900, 33901, 33902, 33903
- Terminology change in denominator criteria
- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02
- Updated Numerator Options: Performance Met (G9500) and Performance Not Met (G9501)
- Updated Numerator Statement, Numerator Instructions, Numerator Definitions, and Numerator Note
- Updated Measure Title, Measure Description, Instructions, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #147: Nuclear Medicine: Correlation with Existing Imaging Studies for All Patients Undergoing Bone Scintigraphy

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #155: Falls: Plan of Care

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99343

Quality ID #181: Elder Maltreatment Screen and Follow-Up Plan

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 96112, 99318, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99343
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 92549, 92551, 92552, 92553, 92555, 92556, 92558, 92650, 92651, 97164, 99487
- Updated Denominator Criteria and Denominator Statement

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02, FQ, 93
- Updated Numerator Definitions
- Updated Measure Description, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #226: Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3): 99343
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT or HCPCS (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3): 97802, 97803, 97804, 99024, G0270, G0271
- Updated Numerator Options (Submission Criteria 1): Performance Not Met (G9905)
- Updated Numerator Options (Submission Criteria 2): Performance Met (G9906) and Performance Not Met (G9908)
- Updated Numerator Options (Submission Criteria 3): Performance Met (G0030) and Performance Not Met (G0029)
- Removed Numerator Options (Submission Criteria 1): Denominator Exception (G9904)
- Removed Numerator Options (Submission Criteria 2): Denominator Exception (G9907)
- Removed Numerator Options (Submission Criteria 3): Denominator Exception (G0028, G9909)
- Added Numerator Options (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3): Denominator Exclusion (M1159)
- Updated Numerator Definitions (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3), Numerator Note (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3), and Updated Numerator Statement (Submission Criteria 2 and 3)
- Updated Measure Description, Instructions, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #236: Controlling High Blood Pressure

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99343
- Updated Denominator Exclusion codes for identifying advanced illness
- Updated Denominator Exclusion headers
- Updated Numerator Note
- Updated Instructions, Rationale, and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #249: Barrett's Esophagus

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #250: Radical Prostatectomy Pathology Reporting

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- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02
- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #261: Referral for Otologic Evaluation for Patients with Acute or Chronic Dizziness

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #317: Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT: 99318, 99324, 99325, 99326, 99327, 99328, 99334, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99339, 99340, 99343
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 99424, 99491
- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02, FQ, 93
- Updated Numerator Definitions

Quality ID #320: Appropriate Follow-Up Interval for Normal Colonoscopy in Average Risk Patients

- Updated Denominator Criteria and Denominator Statement
- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02
- Updated Measure Description and Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #395: Lung Cancer Reporting (Biopsy/Cytology Specimens)

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #396: Lung Cancer Reporting (Resection Specimens)

- Updated Denominator Criteria
- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02
- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #397: Melanoma Reporting

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02
- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements

Quality ID #405: Appropriate Follow-up Imaging for Incidental Abdominal Lesions

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #406: Appropriate Follow-up Imaging for Incidental Thyroid Nodules in Patients

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #416: Emergency Medicine: Emergency Department Utilization of CT for Minor Blunt Head Trauma for Patients Aged 2 Through 17 Years

- Finalized removal for 2023

Quality ID #418: Osteoporosis Management in Women Who Had a Fracture

- Deleted Denominator Coding, CPT (Submission Criteria 1): 99217, 99218, 99219, 99220, 99241, 99343, 99381, 99382, 99383, 99384, 99385, 99391, 99392, 99393, 99394, 99395
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT (Submission Criteria 1): 99238, 99239, 99221, 99222, 99223
- Updated Denominator Exclusion codes for identifying advanced illness (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Added Denominator Criteria Modifiers (Submission Criteria 1): POS 21 based on 2023 American Medical Association (AMA) CPT updates
- Updated Denominator Exclusion headers

Quality ID #422: Performing Cystoscopy at the Time of Hysterectomy for Pelvic Organ Prolapse to Detect Lower Urinary Tract Injury

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02

Quality ID #436: Radiation Consideration for Adult CT: Utilization of Dose Lowering Techniques

- Updated Denominator Criteria Modifiers: Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, 95, POS 02