



Childhood Immunizations

Best Practice

Immunizations are one of the safest and most effective ways to protect children from potentially serious childhood diseases. Although many infants and toddlers have received all recommended vaccines by 2 years of age, many under-immunized children remain, leaving the potential for future outbreaks of disease. Despite established guidelines and well-known benefits of vaccination, in 2007 nearly one-quarter of children 19 – 35 months still had not received recommended immunizations.¹

Wellness Report

Molina Healthcare annually monitors childhood immunization status.

HEDIS® Measure	2008 Rate	2009 Rate	Goal*
Percentage of children who turned 2 years old during the measurement year and received all Combination 2 vaccinations by their second birthday	65.33%	66.10%	79.00%

* National NCQA 75th percentile for Medicaid HMO plans.

¹ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) *Statistics and Surveillance for Immunization Coverage in the U.S., 2007*