HEDIS[®] Tips: Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)

MEASURE DESCRIPTION

The percentage of women, 50-74 years of age, who had one or more mammograms any time on or between October 1, two years prior to the measurement year and December 31 of the measurement year.

Required Exclusion: Medicare patients age 66 and older as of December 31 of the measurement year who are:

- receiving hospice or palliative care;
- enrolled in an Institutional Special Needs Plan or are living long-term in an institution any time during the measurement year; or
- had a diagnosis of frailty and advanced illness during the measurement year.

Optional Exclusion: Bilateral mastectomy.

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Note: This measure evaluates primary screening. Do not count biopsies, breast ultrasounds, or MRIs because they are not appropriate methods for primary breast cancer screening.

CODES INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT HEDIS® MEASURE

Description	Code
Mammography	CPT®: 77061-77063, 77065-77067
	HCPCS: G0202, G0204, G0206

Measure Exclusions	
Description	Code
Bilateral Mastectomy	ICD-10: OHTV0ZZ
Unilateral Left Mastectomy	ICD-10: OHTU0ZZ
Unilateral Right Mastectomy	ICD-10: OHTT0ZZ
Unilateral Mastectomy with Bilateral Modifier	CPT®: 19180, 19200, 19220, 19240, 19303-19307 <i>with</i> CPT®: 50
History of Bilateral Mastectomy	ICD-10: Z90.13
Absence of Left Breast	ICD-10: Z90.12
Absence of Right Breast	ICD-10: Z90.11

HOW TO IMPROVE HEDIS® SCORES

- Educate female patients about the importance of early detection and encourage testing.
- Use needed services list to identify patients in need of mammograms.
- Document a bilateral mastectomy in the medical record and fax Molina Healthcare in the chart.
- Schedule a mammogram for patient or send/give patient a referral/script (if needed).
- Create a list of mammogram facilities to have available to share with the patient.
- Discuss possible fears the patient may have about mammograms and inform women that currently available testing methods are less uncomfortable and require less radiation.

"The USPSTF recommends biennial screening mammography for women aged 50 to 74 years."

Reference: Breast cancer: Screening. Recommendation: Breast Cancer: Screening | United States Preventive Services Taskforce. (2016, January 11). Retrieved from https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/recommendation/breast-cancer-screening

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