HEDIS® Tips:

Chlamydia Screening in Women (CHL)

MEASURE DESCRIPTION

Women 16-24 years of age who were identified as sexually active and who had at least one chlamydia test during the measurement year.

Exclusion: Patients who were included in the measure based on pregnancy test alone <u>and</u>, on the date of the pregnancy test or the 6 days after the pregnancy test, had a prescription for isotretinoin or an x-ray.

USING CORRECT BILLING CODES

Codes to Identify Chlamydia Screening

Description	CPT [®] Code
Chlamydia Tests	87110, 87270, 87320, 87490- 87492, 87810

HOW TO IMPROVE HEDIS SCORES

Perform chlamydia screening every year on every 16-24 year old female identified as sexually active (use any visit opportunity).
Add chlamydia screening as a standard lab for women 16-24 years old. Use well child exams and well women exams for this purpose.
Ensure that you have an opportunity to speak with your adolescent female patients without her parent.
Remember that chlamydia screening can be performed through a urine test. Offer this as an option for your patients.
Place chlamydia swab next to Pap test or pregnancy detection materials.



