HEDIS[®] Tips: Lead Screening in Children (LSC)

MEASURE DESCRIPTION

The percentage of children 2 years of age who had one or more capillary or venous lead blood test for lead poisoning on or before their second birthday.

CODES INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT HEDIS MEASURE

Codes to Identify Lead Tests

Description	CPT [®] Code
Lead Tests	83655

HOW TO IMPROVE HEDIS SCORES

Avoid missed opportunities by taking advantage of every office visit (including sick visits) to perform lead testing.
☐ Consider a standing order for in-office lead testing.
☐ Educate parents about the dangers of lead poisoning and the importance of testing.
☐ Provide in-office testing (capillary).
☐ Bill in-office testing where permitted by the State fee schedule and Molina policy.

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