



Ensuring Quality in Medicaid and CHIP

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Overview

- Managed care requirements
- Quality measures and data
- Quality improvement initiatives
- Varied performance on core set measures
- Mixed performance improvement project results
- EPSDT rates
- Considerations and next steps

Managed care requirements

- 42 CFR Subpart E
- State quality strategy
- Managed care entity quality assessment and performance improvement programs
- Performance improvement projects (PIPs)
- External quality review
- Quality rating system
- Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) survey

Quality measures and data

- Core sets: child and adult, health home, maternity, behavioral health
- CAHPS
- CMS 416 reporting on EPSDT
- Home and community-based services (HCBS) and long-term services and supports (LTSS)
- Section 1115 demonstrations
- Nursing facilities

Quality improvement initiatives

- Maternal health
- Oral health
- Asthma
- Health disparities
- Other initiatives (e.g., obesity, tobacco cessation)
- Value—based payment

Varied performance on core set measures

Core set measure	Adult (A)/ Child (C)	2017	2018	2019	Change 2016-2019
Primary care access and preventive care					
Cervical cancer screening (CCS-AD)	A	55.0%	56.1%	55.1%	0.1%
Chlamydia screening in women ages 21-24 (CHL-AD)	A	61.1	60.8	60.2	-0.9
Adolescent well-care visits (AWC-CH)	C	44.7	48.9	50.6	5.9
Developmental screening in the first three years of life (DEV-CH)	C	39.8	42.2	32.7	-7.1

Source: MACPAC analysis of core set data for 2017-2019.

Mixed PIP results

- PIPs should achieve significant and sustained improvement in outcomes and satisfaction
- Mixed results on quality improvement and validation assessment
- Next steps once PIPs end are unclear

EPSDT rates

Measure	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Percentage of EPSDT eligible children receiving at least one initial or periodic screening service (participant ratio)	0.58	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.60
Percentage of EPSDT eligible children receiving the number of initial and periodic screening services based on state periodicity schedule (screening ratio)	1.00	0.78	0.74	0.78	0.79

Source: MACPAC analysis of annual EPSDT participation reports.

Considerations and next steps

- CMS and states engage in numerous quality improvement and measurement activities, but it is unclear how effective they have been
- Potential areas for additional MACPAC work:
 - Updates to MACPAC's quality chapter
 - EQROs
 - PIPs
 - Disparities
 - Beneficiaries with special health care needs



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