Medication adherence for high cholesterol, high blood pressure, and/or diabetes medications

Category: Medication Management

Program: Adult

Stars Measure 🛨

Measure Requirements

Evaluates the percentage of members with a prescription for a diabetes, ACE/ARB, or statin medication who fill their prescription often enough to cover 80% or more of the measurement period (January 1 to December 31).

- Each filled prescription must be processed through the members prescription insurance benefit.
- The calculation is adjusted for overlapping prescriptions for the same drug, accounting for early refills.
- The calculation is adjusted for overlapping prescriptions for the same drug class, accounting for dose changes and medication changes within the drug class.
- The calculation adjusts for inpatient settings, hospice enrollments, and stays in skilled nursing facilities.

Exclusions:

- Hospice enrollment
- ESRD diagnosis or dialysis coverage dates
- Diabetes Measure Only (MAD): received one or more fills for insulin anytime during the measurement period.
- Hypertension Measure Only (MAH): received one or more fills for sacubitril/valsartan



Member Requirements

Males ages 21–75 and females ages 40–75 during the measurement year (2024) who were with a practice for 11 consecutive months within the measurement year (2024) and had at least two of the specified medications used to treat high cholesterol, high blood pressure, or diabetes filled on unique dates of service during the measurement year (2024).

Note: Refer to the *Gap Closures Guide* for the list of the qualifying adherence medications.



QPM Targets*	
Band 1	91% – 100%
Band 2	88% – 90.99%
Band 3	86% – 87.99%
Band 4	81% – 85.99%
Band 5	<81%

See payment details in section 5 of guide.

*These targets include the performance of more than one measure. This represents the combined performance for all the measures in this category.

