

B.32. Urgent Care

In addition to the considerations discussed in the introductory language of Table B in this proposed rule, the proposed Urgent Care specialty set takes into consideration the following criteria, which includes, but is not limited to: the measure reflects current clinical guidelines and the coding of the measure includes the specialists. CMS may re-assess the appropriateness of individual measures, on a case-by-case basis, to ensure appropriate inclusion in the specialty set. We seek comment on the measures available in the proposed Urgent Care specialty set. This is a new specialty set for 2019; therefore, we are not proposing removal of any measures from this specialty set.

MEASURES PROPOSED FOR INCLUSION								
Indicator	NQF #	Quality #	CMS E-Measure ID	Collection Type	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title and Description	Measure Steward
! (Appropriate Use)	0069	065	154v6	eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Appropriate Treatment for Children with Upper Respiratory Infection (URI): Percentage of children 3 months-18 years of age who were diagnosed with upper respiratory infection (URI) and were not dispensed an antibiotic prescription on or three days after the episode	National Committee for Quality Assurance
! (Appropriate Use)	N/A	066	146v6	eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis: Percentage of children 3-18 years of age who were diagnosed with pharyngitis, ordered an antibiotic and received a group A streptococcus (strep) test for the episode	National Committee for Quality Assurance
! (Appropriate Use)	0653	091	N/A	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Effective Clinical Care	Acute Otitis Externa (AOE): Topical Therapy: Percentage of patients aged 2 years and older with a diagnosis of AOE who were prescribed topical preparations	American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Foundation (AAOHNHF)
! (Appropriate Use)	0654	093	N/A	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Acute Otitis Externa (AOE): Systemic Antimicrobial Therapy – Avoidance of Inappropriate Use: Percentage of patients aged 2 years and older with a diagnosis of AOE who were not prescribed systemic antimicrobial therapy	American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Foundation (AAOHNHF)
§ ! (Appropriate Use)	0058	116	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Adults With Acute Bronchitis: The percentage of adults 18–64 years of age with a diagnosis of acute bronchitis who were not prescribed or dispensed an antibiotic prescription	National Committee for Quality Assurance

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Indicator	NQF #	Quality #	CMS E-Measure ID	Collection Type	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title and Description	Measure Steward
! (Patient Safety)	0419	130	68v7	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Patient Safety	Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record: Percentage of visits for patients aged 18 years and older for which the eligible professional or eligible clinician attests to documenting a list of current medications using all immediate resources available on the date of the encounter. This list must include ALL known prescriptions, over-the-counters, herbals, and vitamin/mineral/dietary (nutritional) supplements AND must contain the medications' name, dosage, frequency and route of administration	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
! (Care Coordination)	0420	131	N/A	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Communication and Care Coordination	Pain Assessment and Follow-Up: Percentage of visits for patients aged 18 years and older with documentation of a pain assessment using a standardized tool(s) on each visit AND documentation of a follow-up plan when pain is present	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
§	0028	226	138v6	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, eCQM Specifications, CMS Web Interface Measure Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Community/Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months AND who received tobacco cessation intervention if identified as a tobacco user	Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement
	N/A	317	22v6	Medicare Part B Claims Measure Specifications, eCQM Specifications, MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Community/Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older seen during the submitting period who were screened for high blood pressure AND a recommended follow-up plan is documented based on the current blood pressure (BP) reading as indicated	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Indicator	NQF #	Quality #	CMS E-Measure ID	Collection Type	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title and Description	Measure Steward
! (Appropriate Use)	N/A	331	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Adult Sinusitis: Antibiotic Prescribed for Acute Viral Sinusitis (Overuse): Percentage of patients, aged 18 years and older, with a diagnosis of acute viral sinusitis who were prescribed an antibiotic within 10 days after onset of symptoms	American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Foundation (AAOHNSF)
! (Appropriate Use)	N/A	332	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Adult Sinusitis: Appropriate Choice of Antibiotic: Amoxicillin With or Without Clavulanate Prescribed for Patients with Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (Appropriate Use): Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of acute bacterial sinusitis that were prescribed amoxicillin, with or without clavulanate, as a first line antibiotic at the time of diagnosis	American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Foundation (AAOHNSF)
! (Appropriate Use)	N/A	333	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specifications	Efficiency	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Adult Sinusitis: Computerized Tomography (CT) for Acute Sinusitis (Overuse): Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of acute sinusitis who had a computerized tomography (CT) scan of the paranasal sinuses ordered at the time of diagnosis or received within 28 days after date of diagnosis	American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Foundation (AAOHNSF)
	N/A	402	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Community /Population Health	Tobacco Use and Help with Quitting Among Adolescents: The percentage of adolescents 12 to 20 years of age with a primary care visit during the measurement year for whom tobacco use status was documented and received help with quitting if identified as a tobacco user	National Committee for Quality Assurance

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Indicator	NQF #	Quality #	CMS E-Measure ID	Collection Type	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title and Description	Measure Steward
	2152	431	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Community /Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Unhealthy Alcohol Use: Screening & Brief Counseling: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for unhealthy alcohol use using a systematic screening method at least once within the last 24 months AND who received brief counseling if identified as an unhealthy alcohol user	Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement
! (Patient Safety)	0657	464	N/A	MIPS CQMs Specifications	Process	Patient Safety, Efficiency and Cost Reduction	Otitis Media with Effusion (OME): Systemic Antimicrobials-Avoidance of Inappropriate Use: Percentage of patients aged 2 months through 12 years with a diagnosis of OME who were not prescribed systemic antimicrobials	American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Foundation (AAOHN SF)