



## Care for Older Adults (COA): Pain Assessment 2024

Medicare (Only SNP and MMP benefit packages)

### Measure Description

The percentage of adults 66 years of age and older who were assessed for pain anytime in 2024

### Required Exclusions

- Patients in hospice or using hospice benefit any time in 2024
- Patients who passed away any time during 2024

### Documentation Tips

- Documentation must include an assessment for pain anytime during 2024. The assessment may have positive or negative findings.
- A standardized tool may be used to assess the patient's pain.
- All documentation or tools used must contain the date the assessment was completed.
- Pain can be assessed from an acute condition, ie. sore throat, abdominal pain, etc.
- Pain assessment may be documented in the Review of Systems (ROS) and be related to a single body part, except for the chest .
- Pain scales, using numbers or faces, used in 2024 do meet numerator compliance.
- Pain may be assessed during an in person, telephonic or virtual visit and is not limited to a clinician only assessment.
- **Use CPT II codes** to lessen the administrative burden of manual chart reviews.

### Non-compliant documentation hints

- Documentation of pain management alone or pain treatment alone does **not** meet numerator criteria.
- A pain assessment performed in an acute inpatient setting does **not** meet numerator criteria.
- Screening or documentation of chest pain will **not** meet numerator compliance.

### Code

#### CPT II Codes

**1125F-** Pain Severity quantified, pain present

**1126F-** Pain Severity quantified, no pain present

**Resources :** HEDIS MY2024 Technical Specs Vol 2. Pg. 101-106