

2024 PREV-7 Influenza Immunization

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Influenza



CDC estimates that flu has resulted in 9 million – 41 million illnesses, 140,000 – 710,000 hospitalizations and 12,000 – 52,000 deaths annually between 2010 and 2020.



The flu vaccine has been shown to reduce the risk of patients with the flu having to see their physician by 40% to 60%



The influenza vaccination prevented an estimated 7.5 million influenza illnesses, 3.7 million influenza-associated medical visits, 105,000 influenza-associated hospitalizations, and 6,300 influenza-associated deaths 2019-2020.



While the effects of flu varies, it places a substantial burden on the health of people in the United States each year. Physician conversations regarding the influenza vaccination is of utmost importance.



Measure Description

Percentage of patients aged 6 months and older seen for a visit during:

- August 1, 2023-March 31, 2024 (flu season 1)
- and/or between August 1, 2024 and March 31, 2025 (flu season 2)

and who received an influenza immunization OR who reported previous receipt of an influenza immunization.



6 months and older who were seen for a visit during either flu season 1 or flu season 2 (dates shown to the left)



Received an influenza vaccination or reported previous receipt of the immunization

Measure Steward: CMS Web Interface

Required Exclusions

- Documentation of medical reason(s) for not receiving influenza immunization (e.g., patient allergy, other medical reasons)
- Documentation of patient reason(s) for not receiving influenza immunization (e.g., patient declined, other patient reasons)
- Documentation of system reason(s) for not receiving influenza immunization (e.g., vaccine not available, other system reasons)
- Patients using hospice or palliative care services during the measurement period
- Patients who **passed away** during the measurement period





Best Practices and Documentation

During intake, ask your patients if they've received their flu shot.

- If yes, document the vaccine "influenza, injectable, quadrivalent" in the patient's medical record with the date administered (this can be an approximate date if the patient is unsure of the exact date).
- If no, offer the patient the flu shot. If they accept, create an order for the vaccine and administer it.
- If the patient declines, document the patient's refusal.



Other Quality Measures Tied to PREV-7



CAHPS: Care Coordination

Care Coordination (CC):

Did you personal doctor:

- Have your medical records or other information about your care?
- Follow up to give you test results as soon as you needed them?
- Talk with you about all the prescription medications you were taking?
- Manage your care among different providers and services?
- Seem informed and up-to-date about the care you received from specialists?

CAHPS: Access to Care

Getting Needed Care (GNC):

- How easy was it to get care, tests or treatment you needed?
- How easy was it to get appointments with specialists?
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<u>Getting Appointments and Care Quickly</u> (GCQ):

- How often were you able to get care as soon as you needed?
- How often were you able to get appointments for routine care at a doctor's office as soon as you needed?
- How often were you able to see the person you came to see within 15 minutes of your appointment time?



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