



PREV-13: Statin Therapy for the Prevention and Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease

2024 Performance Year

Medicare (MSSP)

Measure Description

Percentage of the following patients - all considered at high risk of cardiovascular events - who were prescribed or were on statin therapy during the performance year for one of the following:

- All patients who were previously diagnosed with or currently have an active diagnosis of clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD), including an ASCVD procedure, OR
- Patients aged 20 to 75 years who have ever had a low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) level ≥ 190 mg/dL or were previously diagnosed with or currently have an active diagnosis of familial hypercholesterolemia
- Patients aged 40-75 years with a diagnosis of type 1 or type 2 diabetes
- Patients aged 40 to 75 with a 10-year ASCVD risk score of ≥ 20 percent

Required Exclusions

- Patients who are breastfeeding at any time during the performance year
- Patients who have a diagnosis of rhabdomyolysis at any time during the performance year
- Patients receiving hospice or palliative care at any time during the performance year
- Patients who moved out of country during the performance year
- Patients who passed away during the performance year

Denominator Exceptions

- Patients with statin-associated muscle symptoms or an allergy to statin medication
- Patients with active liver disease or hepatic disease or insufficiency
- Patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD)
- Patients with documentation of a medical reason for not being prescribed statin therapy

Documentation Tips

- Prescription or order does NOT need to be linked to an encounter or visit; it may be called to the pharmacy.
- Statin medication "samples" provided to patients can be documented as "current statin therapy" if documented in the medication list in health/medical record.
- ONLY statin therapy meets the measure (NOT other cholesterol lowering medications).
- Note: Clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) includes: acute coronary syndromes, history of myocardial infarction, stable or unstable angina, coronary or other arterial revascularization, stroke or transient ischemic attack (TIA), peripheral arterial disease of atherosclerotic origin
- Documentation of statin therapy actively being taken or ordered (prescribed) during the measurement period can be completed during a telehealth encounter

Resources

2024 CMS WebInterface v8.0