

Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)

By working together, we can improve health outcomes for your patients, our members. The Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS[®]) helps us measure many aspects of performance. This tip sheet provides key details of the HEDIS measure for breast cancer screening.

What is the measure?

The measure focuses on mammograms to screen for breast cancer in women from age 50 to 74. Appropriate screenings include one or more mammograms (screening, diagnostic, film, and digital or digital breast tomosynthesis) on or between October 1, two years prior to the measurement year through December 31 of the measurement year.

How to Improve Your Score

- Discuss the importance of breast cancer screening and ensure your patients are up to date with their annual mammogram.
- Document the screening for breast cancer in the medical record. The medical record must indicate specific date and result of the screening.
- Document medical and surgical history of the breast in the medical record, include dates.
- MRIs, ultrasounds, and/or biopsies **do not count** in this measure. Although these procedures may be indicated for evaluating women at higher risk for breast cancer or for diagnostic purposes, they are performed as an adjunct to mammography and do not alone count towards the HEDIS care gap compliance.
- Submit the medically appropriate diagnosis and procedure codes for the services rendered.
- Submit claims and encounter data in a timely manner.
- Follow up with each patient once mammogram is ordered to confirm the member has completed the screening imaging requested.

Codes

- **CPT for mammograms:** 77061 – 77063, 77065 – 77067

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Exclusions

1. Bilateral mastectomy anytime during the member's history
 - ◆ Any of these meet criteria for bilateral mastectomy:
 - Bilateral mastectomy
 - **ICD-10 PCS:** 0HTV0ZZ
 - Unilateral mastectomy **with** a bilateral modifier (same procedure)
 - **CPT:** 19180, 19200, 19220, 19240, 19303, 19304, 19305, 19306, 19307
 - **Modifier:** 50
 - History of bilateral mastectomy
 - **ICD-10:** Z90.13
 - ◆ Any combination of codes below that indicate a mastectomy **on both the left and right side** on the same or different dates of service
 - **Left Mastectomy** (any of the following)
 - Unilateral mastectomy with a left-side modifier (same procedure)
 - **CPT:** 19180, 19200, 19220, 19240, 19303 – 19307
 - **Modifier:** LT
 - Absence of the left breast
 - **ICD-10:** Z90.12
 - Left unilateral mastectomy
 - **ICD-10 PCS:** 0HTU0ZZ
 - **Right Mastectomy** (any of the following)
 - Unilateral mastectomy with a right-side modifier (same procedure)
 - **CPT:** 19180, 19200, 19220, 19240, 19303 – 19307
 - **Modifier:** RT
 - Absence of the right breast
 - **ICD-10:** Z90.11
 - Right unilateral mastectomy
 - **ICD-10 PCS:** 0HTT0ZZ
2. Hospice care or using hospice services during the measurement year
 - **HCPCS:** G0182, G9473 – G9479, Q5003 – Q5008, Q5010, S9126, T2042 – T2046
 - **CPT:** 99377 – 99378
3. Members receiving palliative care during the measurement year
 - **HCPCS:** G9054, M1017
4. Members age 66 and older as of December 31 of the measurement year, with frailty and advanced illness; members must meet **both** frailty and advanced illness criteria to be excluded
5. Members who died anytime during the measurement year

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