

HEDIS® Measure

Eye Exam for Patients with Diabetes (EED)

Data collection method:

Administrative (Claims), Hybrid (HEDIS Chart Chase), Supplemental Data Submission

Measure description:

The percentage of enrollees 18–75 years of age with diabetes (types 1 and 2) who had a retinal eye exam.

Numerator compliance:

Enrollees screened or monitored for diabetic retinal disease.

Any of the following meets compliance:

- Retinal or dilated eye exam by an eye care professional (optometrist or ophthalmologist) in the measurement year
- Negative retinal or dilated eye exam (negative for retinopathy) by an eye care professional in the year prior to the measurement year
- Bilateral eye enucleation any time during the member's history through December 31 of the measurement year



Best practices:

Document date of most recent diabetic eye exam, with results, name, and title of eye care provider in the medical record. Order a diabetes screening test every year and build care gap “alerts” in your electronic medical record.

Follow up with patients to discuss and educate on effects of diabetes. Coordinate care with patients' other providers and Outreach patients who have not had their eye exams and ask them to schedule one as soon as possible. Discuss with members the importance of screening for diabetes and educate the member on symptoms of new-onset diabetes.

Educate the members about the importance of early detection and encourage screening and request to have any eye exam results sent from the specialty office. Set care gap “alerts” in your electronic medical record and prepare standing referral to ophthalmologist, assist patient in making eye specialist appointment and track referral until specialist report is obtained. Conduct chart review to identify evidence of negative retinal eye exam in the year prior to the measurement year. Report previous year negative eye screening with a current calendar year date of services.

Numerator codes:

There is a large list of approved codes used to identify services included in this measure. For more information see [**HEDIS Measures and Technical Resources at NCQA.org**](https://www.ncqa.org/hedis/).

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