Monitoring Quality and Access In RIte Care & Rhody Health Partners

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Introduction

RIte Care, Rhode Island's first Medicaid managed care program, was implemented in August 1994 and provides comprehensive health care for children and families. In 2008, the option to enroll in a managed care organization (MCO) was extended to adult Medicaid beneficiaries with disabilities. Rhody Health Partners is the State's Medicaid managed care program that serves adults with disabilities and chronic conditions who live in the community and are not eligible for Medicare or any other health insurance coverage.

Two Health Plans, Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island (NHPRI) and UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Rhode Island (UHCP-RI), participate in RIte Care and Rhody Health Partners. In September 2014, the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) ranked over 273 Medicaid Health Plans nationwide and scored 136 of those based on clinical performance, member satisfaction, and NCQA Accreditation. The NCQA recognized the performance of both of Rhode Island's Medicaid-participating Health Plans within the "Medicaid Top Ten" ranking of Medicaid Health Plans throughout the United States. NHPRI was ranked 5th with an overall score of 85.8 % and UHCP-RI was ranked 7th with a corresponding score of 85.5 % ¹.

This report focuses on the overall performance results of RIte Care and Rhody Health Partners on 39 nationally-benchmarked quality measures during Calendar Year 2013. The goals of RIte Care and Rhody Health Partners are to **improve access to care, quality of care, and health outcomes** while containing costs. In addition to the annual Performance Goal Program, Rhode Island Medicaid, which is part of the Rhode Island Executive Office of Health and Human Services, monitors overall quality and access by:

- Defining quality and access standards in Rhode Island's contracts with the Health Plans
- Conducting annual on-site compliance and record reviews in conjunction with the Performance Goal Program
- Directing monthly Contract compliance meetings with each Health Plan
- Contracting with an External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) to perform an independent annual review of the Medicaid managed care program
- Monitoring encounter data to assess trends in service utilization
- Analyzing a series of quarterly reports, including informal complaints, grievances, and appeals
- Conducting member satisfaction surveys

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NCQA Health Insurance Plan Rankings 2014-2015. For more information, please refer to: http://www.ncqa.org/ReportCards/HealthPlans/HealthInsurancePlanRankings/MedicareMedicaidHealthPlanRankings20142015.aspx

- Analyzing the findings from the Health Plans' four (4) annual quality improvement projects (QIPs)
- Reinforcing the State's requirement that participating Health Plans maintain accreditation by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) and setting a performance "floor", to ensure that:
 - Any denial of accreditation by the NCQA shall be considered cause for termination of the State's Medicaid Managed Care Services Contract with the Health Plan
 - Achievement of no greater than a provisional accreditation status by the NCQA shall require a Corrective Action Plan within 30 days of the Health Plan's receipt of its Final Report from the NCQA and may result in termination of the State's *Medicaid Managed Care Services Contract* with the Health Plan

External Quality Review

The State is required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to have an External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) conduct an annual review of the services provided by Rhode Island Medicaid's participating Health Plans. IPRO, Incorporated, which contracts with Rhode Island to perform the external quality review, synthesizes a breadth of qualitative and quantitative information. For example, the EQRO analyzes the findings from Health Plan accreditation surveys and site visits conducted by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) and the results of the externally-audited HEDIS^{®2} quality measures and CAHPS^{®3} member satisfaction surveys that are submitted annually to the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA).

The External Quality Review process also assesses access metrics, such as GeoAccess® results,⁴ evaluates the four quality improvement projects that have been conducted by the Health Plans throughout the reporting year, and analyzes the actions undertaken by the Health Plans in response to the recommendations put forward by the External Quality Review Organization during the preceding reporting year.

Rhode Island incorporates the recommendations from the External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) into the State's oversight and administration of RIte Care and Rhody Health Partners. The State also submits the EQRO's annual reports to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in compliance with Federal regulations.

Rhode Island's Performance Goal Program

In 1998, Rhode Island Medicaid launched its *Performance Goal Program*, which established benchmark standards for quality and access performance measures. Rhode Island was the second State in the nation to implement a "pay-for-performance" program for its Medicaid managed care program. The State's Performance Goal Program is now in its sixteenth (16th) year and

² HEDIS[®] (Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set) is a registered trademark of the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCOA).

³ CAHPS[®] (Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems) member satisfaction surveys are conducted annually for Medicaid Health Plans by NCQA-certified vendors, according to specifications established by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).

⁴ GeoAccess[®] is a software tool that analyzes geographic coordinates, so that the distance in miles between health care providers and Medicaid managed care enrollees can be assessed. Use of GeoAccess® helps to determine whether members have access to health care within a reasonable distance from their home.

continues to advance quality improvement initiatives that focus on access to preventive care, chronic disease management, and behavioral health services for enrollees.

Methodology

The Performance Goal Program currently uses both Rhode Island-specific standards and standards based on national benchmarks (HEDIS[®] and CAHPS[®] measures). Table 1 shows the percent allocation of incentive payments available to Health Plans by performance measure category.

Table 1. Percentage of Performance Award Available by Category Performance Goal Program 2014

Performance Measures - Categories	Percent of total performance	Type of Measure
	award available	
1. Member Services	12%	State-specific
2. Medical Home/ Preventive Care	48%	
3. Women's Health	6%	HEDIS [®] & CAHPS [®]
4. Chronic Care	20%	
5. Behavioral Health	12%	
6. Cost Management	2%	State-specific
TOTAL	100%	

Innovations in Rhode Island's 2014 Performance Goal Program

The 2014 Performance Goal Program built on the enhancements that were put in place following the State's implementation in September 2010 of its new contract with the two participating Health Plans. As was the case in the preceding year, the 2014 Performance Goal Program included an analysis of the Health Plans' performance on a series of HEDIS[®] quality measures and the EOHHS' on-site assessment of the Health Plans' performance on the following State-specified goals:

- Engagement with the families of children who were newly-enrolled in RIte Care for Children with Special Health Care Needs and with members who were newly-enrolled in Rhody Health Partners
- Timely resolution of member appeals and grievances
- Outreach and communication to newly enrolled members
- Emergency room utilization for ambulatory sensitive conditions, and
- An analysis of resource maximization

For the *Use of Appropriate Medications for People with Asthma (ASM)* measure, scores for all age strata and the total rate were recorded, with the incentive award based on Health Plans' performance on the total rate. This measure analyzes whether children and adults between 5 and 64 years of age who have persistent asthma received the appropriate medications to treat their asthma.

In this year's Performance Goal Program, the following measure, *Annual Monitoring for Patients on Persistent Medications (MPM)*, remained a baseline measure. *Cervical Cancer Screening (CCS)* was added as a baseline measure due to significant changes in the HEDIS[®]

technical specifications for this measure. Scores were recorded, but an incentive was not allocated for this measure.

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Medical Home/ Preventive Care

Preventive/Ambulatory Visits

Performance on this set of nine (9) measures continues to be a long-standing area of strength for Rhode Island Medicaid's participating Health Plans. As shown in Table 2, the Statewide Averages exceed the 90th percentile for the majority of the measures that focus on access to primary care for infants, children, and adults. These results include both RIte Care and Rhody Health Partners members. Rhode Island's inclusion of the HEDIS® access-related measures for infants, children, and adolescents in the State's annual Performance Goal Program pre-dates the development of the Federal *Initial Core Set of Children's Health Care Quality Measures*⁵.

Lead Screening in Children

For CY 2014, Rhode Island's Statewide Average continues to exceed the 75th percentile. Although there was a decrease in the statewide rate, Rhode Island's performance was substantially greater than the national Medicaid average (or "mean") of approximately 67%.

• Members 18 Years of Age and Older Received Advice on Smoking Cessation
This measure, which has been a long-standing one in the State's Performance Goal Program,
focuses on whether Medicaid managed care enrollees who are 18 years of age or older and
smoke or use tobacco received advice to stop from their health care providers.

This measure is one component of the smoking cessation measure that is included in the *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid*. This data set was developed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) in partnership with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), subsequent to the enactment of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Rhode Island's Statewide Average of 80% on the "advice to quit" decreased by three percentage points, moving from the 90th to the 75th percentile in 2014. The state-wide rate continues to be above the Medicaid mean of 76%.

• Adult Body Mass Index (BMI)

Physical activity as well as obesity reduction is included in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) *Healthy People 2020* objectives. According the Center for Disease Control, "Fewer than 1 in 3 adults and an even lower proportion of adolescents eat the recommended amount of vegetables each day." This is an area that Rhode Island continues to monitor because the impact of obesity and its associated long-term costs.

Rhode Island exceeded the 75th percentile and the national Medicaid average for the HEDIS[®] *Adult Body Mass Index (BMI)* measure. Rhode Island continues to demonstrate improvement on this measure year over year. This measure is also included in the *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid* developed by CMS.

⁵ The *Initial Core Set of Children's Health Care Quality Measures* was developed as a result of the enactment of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA) of 2009.

⁶ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. State Indicator Report on Fruits and Vegetables. Atlanta, GA: 2009. Available from http://www.fruitsandveggiesmatter.gov/health_professionals/statereport.html

Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, "1 in 6 children and adolescents (16.2%) are obese. Obesity-related conditions include heart disease, stroke, and type 2 diabetes, which are among the leading causes of death."

Rhode Island demonstrated a significant improvement in 2014 and exceeded the 90th percentile for all three components of the HEDIS[®] *Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children and Adolescents* measure. This is a marked improvement from previous year's performance. Rhode Island will continue to monitor performance on this measure because of the impact of obesity and its associated long-term costs are of importance to the health of children and adolescents. This measure is also included in the national *Initial Core Set of Children's Health Care Quality Measures*.

• Annual Monitoring for Patients on Persistent Medications (Baseline Measure)

This measure continued to be a baseline, non-incented one in the 2014 Performance Goal Program. This HEDIS® measure addresses the percentage of members 18 years of age and older who received at least 180 days of a select therapeutic agent (i.e., a medication) during the measurement year and who had at least one monitoring event (such as a blood test) for the therapeutic agent during the measurement year. Yearly monitoring is analyzed for members who take any of the following specified medications: ACE inhibitors or angiotensin receptor blockers; digoxin; diuretics; and anticonvulsants. Although Rhode Island achieved the national Medicaid average for this measure, and exceeded the 50th percentile, it did not achieve the 75th percentile for this measure. This measure is also one of those included in the national CMS/AHRQ *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid*.

• Use of Imaging Studies for Low Back Pain

This year's Performance Goal Program marked the fourth year this measure was eligible for a performance incentive. Both Health Plans continue to focus their quality improvement efforts on this measure, which focuses on the percentage of individuals between 18 and 50 years of age with a primary diagnosis of low back pain who did not have an imaging study within 28 days of their diagnosis. A higher score indicates that a conservative approach to treatment (which is recommended clinically in the absence of serious pathology) had been undertaken (that is, no imaging services were ordered, such as MRI, CAT Scan, or X-ray) within the first 28 days of a diagnosis of low back pain.⁸

Women's Health

• Cervical Cancer Screening (Baseline Measure)

This measure focuses on the receipt of Pap smears by women between 21 and 64 years of age. This finding (76%) was substantially greater than the national Medicaid average (64%) which was reported in *Quality Compass*[®] 2013 and exceeded the 75th percentile when compared with other Medicaid Health Plans nationally. This measure is also included in the national CMS/AHRQ *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid*.

• Chlamydia Screening in Women

⁷ http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/leading-health-indicators/2020-lhi-topics/Nutrition-Physical-Activity-and-Obesity

⁸ http://www.aafp.org/afp/2012/0215/p343.html

For Calendar Year 2013, Rhode Island's Statewide Average (63%) for *Chlamydia Screening* among 16-20 year olds exceeded the national Medicaid average (53 percent) which was reported in *Quality Compass*[®] 2013. This rate remained stable from CY 2012 when the Statewide Average was 62%, and continues to exceed the 75th percentile. Rhode Island's Statewide Average (68%) for HEDIS[®] 21-24 year old cohort exceeded the national Medicaid average (63%), but it did not achieve the 75th percentile. This measure has been a Quality Improvement focus of both Plans.

Chronic Care

As noted by the DHHS in *Healthy People 2020*, heart disease, cancer, and stroke alone cause more than fifty (50) percent of all deaths each year⁹ and in 2008 almost one out of every two individuals 18 years of age or older had at least one of the following chronic illnesses¹⁰: Cardiovascular Disease, Arthritis, Diabetes, Asthma, Cancer, and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease.

• Appropriate Use of Asthma Medications for People with Asthma

According to *Healthy People 2020*, "The burden of respiratory diseases affects individuals and their families, schools, workplaces, neighborhoods, cities, and states. Because of the cost to the health care system, the burden of respiratory diseases also falls on society; it is paid for with higher health insurance rates, lost productivity, and tax dollars. Annual health care expenditures for asthma alone are estimated at \$20.7 billion." ¹¹.

This HEDIS[®] measure focuses on the percentage of children and adults between the ages of five 5 and 64 years who have persistent asthma and who were prescribed appropriate medications during CY 2013. Four age groups are assessed: a) children between five and eleven years of age, b) children and adolescents between twelve and eighteen years of age, c) adults between nineteen and fifty years of age and d) adults between fifty-one and sixty-four years of age. The State did not achieve the 75th percentile for Medicaid plans however Rhode Island did meet and/or exceed the national Medicaid average of 77% across all age cohorts.

• Comprehensive Diabetes Care – Hemoglobin A1c Testing

Rhode Island's Statewide Average of 88% exceeded the national Medicaid average (83%) and met the *Quality Compass*[®] 75th percentile. Comprehensive diabetes care remains a targeted area of focus for performance improvement in the coming year. This HEDIS[®] measure is also included in the CMS/AHRQ's *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid*.

• Controlling High Blood Pressure

This HEDIS® measure assesses the percentage of individuals eighteen (18) years of age and older who had a diagnosis of hypertension whose blood pressure was adequately controlled. The 2014 Performance Goal program marked the third year this measure became eligible for an incentive award. Rhode Island's Statewide Average (69%) exceeded the national Medicaid

⁹ Chronic disease prevalence, General Health Status, Healthy People 2020, http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/about/GenHealthAbout.aspx#chronic

¹⁰ Chronic disease prevalence, General Health Status, Healthy People 2020, http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/about/GenHealthAbout.aspx#chronic

¹¹ National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI). Morbidity and mortality: 2009 chart book on cardiovascular, lung and blood diseases. Bethesda, MD: NHLBI; 2009 Oct [cited 2010 Mar 29]. Available from: http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/resources/docs/cht-book.htm

average (56%), and achieved the *Quality Compass*® 75thpercentile. This HEDIS[®] measure is also included in the CMS/AHRQ's *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid*.

• Pharmacotherapy Management of COPD Exacerbation

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is a preventable and treatable disease characterized by airflow limitation that is not fully reversible. It is the fourth leading cause of death in the United States¹². This year's Performance Goal Program marked the fourth year that this measure was eligible for a performance incentive. This measure consists of two components: the percentage of COPD exacerbations for individuals forty (40) years of age and older who received either a systemic corticosteroid within fourteen (14) days or a bronchodilator within thirty (30) days following an inpatient hospital discharge or an emergency department visit (EDV). Rhode Island's Statewide Averages of 82% and 90% surpassed the 90th percentile for the component *Dispensed a Systemic corticosteroid dispensed within 14 days* and the 75th percentile for *Dispensed a Bronchodilator within 30 days* respectively. This year's findings remained consistent from CY 2013.

Behavioral Health

• Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness – 7 & 30 Days

The "follow-up within thirty (30) days" component of the HEDIS® *Follow-up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness* has been a long-standing area of success for Rhode Island's Medicaid managed care program. As noted previously, Rhode Island "raised the bar" for this measure when it issued its *Medicaid Managed Care Services Contract* in September of 2010. Starting in 2012, Health Plans' performance for both the 30-day and the more stringent 7-day components of this measure became eligible for an incentive. Rhode Island continues to demonstrate improved performance on this measure, achieving the 75th percentile for the 30-day and 7-day follow-up measure.

• Antidepressant Medication Management

The HEDIS® Antidepressant Medication Management (AMM) measure, which looks at the effective follow-up of individuals eighteen (18) years of age and older during the acute phase of treatment for major depression, was first piloted as a baseline metric in RIte Care's 2006 Performance Goal Program. Rhode Island's Statewide Average of 52% met the 50th percentile. During 2014, both Health Plans have been conducting a Quality Improvement Project (QIP) on this measure. This measure is also one which is included in the CMS/AHRQ *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid* and is one of two quality improvement projects implemented as part of the Medicaid Adult Quality Grant.

• Follow-up for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication

Seeking to further emphasize the importance of access to behavioral health services for children and youth, the HEDIS® *Follow-up for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication* measure was added as a baseline metric in 2007 and has been treated as an active measure during each subsequent year. This measure focuses on the percentage of children between six (6) and twelve (12) years of age who had clinical follow-up within thirty (30) days of when a medication for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) was first prescribed. For Calendar Year 2014,

¹² Respiratory Diseases, Healthy People 2020, http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/topicsobjectives2020/overview.aspx?topicid=36

Rhode Island's Statewide Average of 56% exceeded the Medicaid average and the *Quality Compass*[®] 90th percentile, demonstrating a significant improvement from previous years.

This measure is one that is included in the *Initial Core Set of Children's Health Care Quality Measures*. Results for this measure are reported annually by Rhode Island Medicaid to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS). This measure was also one of the four Quality Improvement projects for both Health Plans in CY 2014.

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Quality Compass®

Use of the *Quality Compass*[®] benchmarks allows Rhode Island to compare its statewide performance annually to that of other Medicaid Health Plans nationwide. *Quality Compass* is produced annually by the NCQA. It provides information for all HEDIS[®] and CAHPS[®] measures, including the number of Medicaid Health Plans which reported results for each measure. An average or "mean" score is produced for each measure, as well as percentile rankings at the 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, and 90th levels.

Understanding Table 2

Table 2 shows Statewide Averages for each of HEDIS[®] and CAHPS[®] measures included in Rhode Island's Performance Goal Program for the four most recent years. The Statewide Averages have been computed by averaging the Health Plans' results. The score are highlighted in a particular color according to the percentile ranking for HEDIS[®] and CAHPS[®] measures as based on the National Committee for Quality Assurance's *Quality Compass*[®] for Medicaid for that respective year. For example, the Statewide Average for CY 2013 (Performance Goal Program 2014) findings are based on the benchmark percentile ranking from *Quality Compass*[®] 2013.

- 90thpercentile

 Measures that have been highlighted in blue represent scores that met or exceeded the 90th percentile for that respective year.
- 75th percentile

 Measures that have been highlighted in pink indicate scores for that met or exceeded the 75th for that respective year.
- 50th percentile

 Measures that have been highlighted in grey indicate scores that met or exceeded the 50th percentile for that respective year.
- Performance measures shown in green are baseline measures.

All but two of the performance measures listed on pages 10 and 11 are HEDIS® measures. The remaining measures are from CAHPS®:

- Members were satisfied with access to urgent care
- Members over 18 year of age received advice on smoking cessation and tobacco use

Table 2: Rhode Island's 2014 Performance Goal Program Results of HEDIS® and CAHPS® Measures (Calendar Years 2010 – 2013)

	Performance Category and Measures	Statewide Average for CY 2010	Statewide Average for CY 2011	Statewide Average for CY 2012	Statewide Average for CY 2013
		Findings	Findings	Findings	Findings
		from the	from the	from the	from the
		2011	2012	2013	2014
		Performance	Performance	Performance	Performance
		Goal	Goal	Goal	Goal
		Program	Program	Program	Program
	Medical Home/ Preventive Care				
1	Members were satisfied with access to urgent care	83	85	86	87
2	Adults with an ambulatory or preventive care visit (20-44 yrs.)	88	88	89	89
3	Adults with an ambulatory or preventive care visit (45-64 yrs.)	92	92	92	93
4	Infants had well-child visits in first 15 months of life+	82	82	82	90
5	Children had well-child visits in 3 rd -6 th year of life+	81	83	82	85
6	Adolescent immunizations before 13 th birthday+	85	86	84	86
7	Children receive immunizations by 2 nd birthday – Combo 3+	81	84	82	83
8	Children receive immunizations by 2 nd birthday – Combo 10+	32	21	56	64
9	Children receive periodic PCP visits (12-24 mos.)+	98	99	98	99
10	Children receive periodic PCP visits (25 mos6 yrs.)+	93	94	95	94
11	Children receive periodic PCP visits (7-11 yrs.)+	96	96	97	97
12	Children receive periodic PCP visits (12-19 yrs.)+	95	95	96	96
13	Members over 18 years received advice on smoking cessation+	N/A	83	83	80
14	Members received timely prenatal care+	91	92	93	94
15	Members received timely postpartum care+	66	71	71	71
16	Adolescent well care visit+	66	65	67	70
17	Frequency of ongoing prenatal care+	74	79	77	83
18	Lead screening for children	87	85	85	78
19	Adult Body Mass Index (BMI) assessment+	41	54	72	83
20	Body Mass Index (BMI) percentile for children & adolescents+	33	44	61	85
21	Counseling for nutrition for children & adolescents+	61	65	69	78
22	Counseling for physical activity for children & adolescents+	47	48	56	72
23	Annual monitoring for patients on persistent medications*+	85	86	83	85
24	Use of imaging studies for low back pain	68	71	69	70

Pe	rformance Category and Measures	Statewide Average for CY 2010	Statewide Average for CY 2011	Statewide Average for CY 2012	Statewide Average for CY 2013
		Findings	Findings	Findings	Findings
		from the	from the	from the	from the
		2011	2012	2013	2014
		Performance	Performance	Performance	Performance
		Goal	Goal	Goal	Goal
		Program	Program	Program	Program
	Women's Health				
25	Cervical cancer screening (21-64 yrs.)*+	74	78	77	76
26	Chlamydia screening (16-20 yrs.)+	56	56	62	63
27	Chlamydia screening (21- 24 yrs.)+	66	67	68	68
	Chronic Care				
28	Enrollees with asthma use appropriate meds (5-11 yrs.)	93	92	93	93
	Enrollees with asthma use appropriate meds (12-50 yrs.)**	88	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Enrollees with asthma use appropriate meds (12-18 yrs.)	N/A	89	88	89
	Enrollees with asthma use appropriate meds (19-50 yrs.)	N/A	79	79	79
	Enrollees with asthma use appropriate meds (51-64 yrs.)	N/A	70	75	78
	Enrollees with asthma use appropriate meds (Total Rate)	N/A	N/A	N/A	86
	Adults with diabetes had HbA1c testing+	85	88	86	88
	Controlling high blood pressure+	62	64	63	69
	Pharmacotherapy management of COPD exacerbation: Systemic corticosteroid dispensed within 14 days	79	76	80	82
	Pharmacotherapy management of COPD exacerbation: Bronchodilator dispensed within 30 days	91	82	90	90
	Behavioral Health				
	Follow-up visit by 30 days post-discharge from hospital	82	83	81	81
	(Mental Health)+				
	Follow-up visit by 7 days post-discharge from hospital	64	66	64	62
	(Mental Health)+				
	Antidepressant medication management (Acute phase)+	52	47	52	52
	Follow-up for children prescribed ADHD medication (Initiation phase)+	46	48	54	56

^{*} The baseline measure for 2014 (CY 2013) has been shown in green.

** For this HEDIS® asthma measure, one age category (12-50 years) was phased out by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) in CY 2011.

+ HEDIS® measures that have been flagged with the (+) symbol are ones that are included in either the *Initial Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in* Medicaid or the Initial Core Set of Children's Health Care Quality Measures.