



## **2026 Clinical Quality Measure (CQM) Specifications Release Notes**

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### **2026 Measure Specifications for CQM Release Notes**

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CMS is pleased to announce the release of the 2026 Individual Measure Specifications for CQM collection type Release Notes. Measure developers, professional organizations, and other stakeholders have provided comments, clarifications and technical corrections. The list below details changes to existing measures made since the release of the 2025 QPP Measure Specifications.

## Global Edits to Measure Specifications:

- All specifications reformatted
  - Updated Instructions to include more specific subcomponents: Reporting Frequency, Intent and Clinician Applicability, Measure Strata and Performance Rates, Implementation Considerations, Telehealth, and Measure Submission
  - Added Reference Coding section, as applicable
  - Denominator Exclusions brought into the Denominator Criteria, as applicable
  - Reordered Numerator Options for measures with an Inverse Analytic
  - Added a References section
- Updated Copyright
- Updated Measure Flows and Flow Narratives

### Quality ID #001 (CBE 0059): Diabetes: Glycemic Status Assessment Greater Than 9%

- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for frailty: R29.6
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C, G35.C0, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D
- Removed Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35

### Quality ID #005 (CBE 0081): Heart Failure (HF): Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) or Angiotensin Receptor-Neprilysin Inhibitor (ARNI) Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD)

- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Submission Criteria 2

### Quality ID #006 (CBE 0067): Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Antiplatelet Therapy

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for coronary artery disease

### Quality ID #007 (CBE 0070): Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Beta-Blocker Therapy – Prior Myocardial Infarction (MI) or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF $\leq$ 40%)

- Updated Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Added Denominator Coding (Submission Criteria 1 and 2), CPT: 92930, 92945

### Quality ID #008 (CBE 0083): Heart Failure (HF): Beta-Blocker Therapy for Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVSD)

- Updated Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 1)
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 2)

### Quality ID #024: Communication with the Physician or Other Clinician Managing On-Going Care Post-Fracture for Men and Women Aged 50 Years and Older

- Updated Denominator Statement and Denominator Criteria

- Removed “Option 2” section of Denominator “Diagnosis for a fracture, except fracture of the finger, toe, face or skull”.
- Removed Denominator Procedure Coding, CPT: 98000, 98001, 98002, 98003, 98004, 98005, 98006, 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011, 98012, 98013, 98014, 98015, 90816

**Quality ID #039: Screening for Osteoporosis for Women Aged 65-85 Years of Age**

- CBE endorsement removed

**Quality ID #047 (CBE 0326): Advance Care Plan**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #048: Urinary Incontinence: Assessment of Presence or Absence of Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #050: Urinary Incontinence: Plan of Care for Urinary Incontinence in Women Aged 65 Years and Older**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #052: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD): Spirometry Evaluation and Long-Acting Inhaled Bronchodilator Therapy**

- Removed ‘Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10’ from Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Added ‘Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426’ to Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)

**Quality ID #065 (CBE 0069): Appropriate Treatment for Upper Respiratory Infection (URI)**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98979, 99470

**Quality ID #066: Appropriate Testing for Pharyngitis**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98979, 99470

**Quality ID #102: Prostate Cancer: Avoidance of Overuse of Bone Scan for Staging Low Risk Prostate Cancer Patients**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 55868, 55869, 55877
- Removed ‘Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10’
- Added ‘Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426’ to Denominator Criteria
- Updated Numerator Options: Denominator Exception (M1427)
- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements

### **Quality ID #112: Breast Cancer Screening**

- CBE endorsement removed
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98979, 99470
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for frailty: R29.6
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C0, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D
- Removed Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35
- Updated Numerator Definition: Reviewed
- Updated Numerator Note

### **Quality ID #113: Colorectal Cancer Screening**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98979, 99470
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for frailty: R29.6
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C0, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D
- Removed Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35
- Updated Numerator Definition: Reviewed
- Updated Numerator Note

### **Quality ID #116 (CBE 0058): Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment for Acute Bronchitis/Bronchiolitis**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 99470

### **Quality ID #117: Diabetes: Eye Exam**

- CBE endorsement removed
- Updated Measure Description
- Removed Denominator Coding, ICD-10: E10.A0, E10.A1
- Added Denominator Exclusion: M1428
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for frailty: R29.6
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C0, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D
- Removed Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35
- Updated Numerator Options: Performance Met Criteria (1429, M1430)
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

### **Quality ID #118 (CBE 0066): Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy - Diabetes or Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction (LVEF ≤ 40%)**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for coronary artery disease (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for diabetes (Submission Criteria 2)

**Quality ID #126 Diabetes Mellitus: Diabetic Foot and Ankle Care, Peripheral Neuropathy — Neurological Evaluation**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for diabetes
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: E11.A

**Quality ID #127: Diabetes Mellitus: Diabetic Foot and Ankle Care, Ulcer Prevention – Evaluation of Footwear**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for diabetes
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: E11.A

**Quality ID #128: Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up Plan**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1431' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #130: Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record**

- Updated Numerator Options: Denominator Exception (G8430)

**Quality ID #134: Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for Depression and Follow-Up Plan**

- Updated Denominator Definition
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 59425, 59426
- Updated Clinical Recommendation Statements

**Quality ID #141: Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma (POAG): Reduction of Intraocular Pressure (IOP) by 20% OR Documentation of a Plan of Care**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for primary open-angle glaucoma
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1432' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #143 (CBE 0384): Oncology: Medical and Radiation – Pain Intensity Quantified**

- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: C50.A0, C50.A1, C50.A2 (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011, 98012, 98013, 98014, 98015, 98016 (Submission Criteria 1)
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT and HCPCS: 50391, G0498 (Submission Criteria 1)
- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1433 and M1434 (Submission Criteria 1)

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10' from Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 2)
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 2)
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #144 (CBE 0383): Oncology: Medical and Radiation – Plan of Care for Pain**

- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: C50.A0, C50.A1, C50.A2 (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT and HCPCS: 50391, G0498 (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011, 98012, 98013, 98014, 98015, 98016 (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1435 (Submission Criteria 1)
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10' from Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 2)

**Quality ID #145: Radiology: Exposure Dose Indices Reported for Procedures Using Fluoroscopy:**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Procedure
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 37220, 37221, 37224, 37225, 37226, 37227, 37228, 37229, 37230, 37231, 75842, 75956, 75957, 75958, 75959
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 37254, 37256, 37258, 37260, 37263, 37265, 37267, 37269, 37271, 37273, 37275, 37277, 37280, 37282, 37284, 37286, 37288, 37290, 37292, 37294, 37296, 37298
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #155: Falls: Plan of Care**

- CBE endorsement removed

**Quality ID #164 (CBE 0129): Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Prolonged Intubation**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Removed Numerator Instructions

**Quality ID #167: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Postoperative Renal Failure**

- CBE endorsement removed
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Removed Numerator Instructions

**Quality ID #168: Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG): Surgical Re-Exploration**

- CBE endorsement removed
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Removed Numerator Instructions

**Quality ID #176: Tuberculosis Screening Prior to First Course of Biologic and/or Immune Response Modifier Therapy:**

- Updated Denominator Statement
- Updated Denominator Instructions
- Updated Numerator Statement
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #177 (CBE 2523): Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Periodic Assessment of Disease Activity**

- Updated Measure Description
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: M05.A
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #178: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Functional Status Assessment**

- Updated Measure Description
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: M05.A

**Quality ID #180: Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): Glucocorticoid Management**

- Updated Measure Description
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: M05.A

**Quality ID #181: Elder Maltreatment Screen and Follow-Up Plan**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1437' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #182: Functional Outcome Assessment**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 92541, 92544, 92549, 92626

**Quality ID #185: Colonoscopy Interval for Patients with a History of Adenomatous Polyps – Avoidance of Inappropriate Use**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #187: Stroke and Stroke Rehabilitation: Thrombolytic Therapy**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for ischemic stroke
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426 to Denominator Criteria
- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1438

**Quality ID #191: Cataracts: 20/40 or Better Visual Acuity within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery**

- CBE endorsement removed
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1439

**Quality ID #205: Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Testing for People with HIV**

- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: O98.711, O98.712, O98.713, O98.719, O98.72, O98.73
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 99243
- Added Denominator Coding, HCPCS: G0402
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #217: Functional Status Change for Patients with Knee Impairments**

- Added Denominator coding, M-code: M1426

**Quality ID #218: Functional Status Change for Patients with Hip Impairments**

- Added Denominator coding, M-code: M1426

**Quality ID #219: Functional Status Change for Patients with Lower Leg, Foot or Ankle Impairments**

- Added Denominator coding, M-code: M1426

**Quality ID #220: Functional Status Change for Patients with Low Back Impairments**

- Added Denominator coding, M-code: M1426

**Quality ID #221: Functional Status Change for Patients with Shoulder Impairments**

- Added Denominator coding, M-code: M1426

**Quality ID #222: Functional Status Change for Patients with Elbow, Wrist or Hand Impairments**

- Added Denominator coding, M-code: M1426

**Quality ID #226 (CBE 0028): Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98979, 99470 (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3)

**Quality ID #236: Controlling High Blood Pressure**

- Updated Denominator Note
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 99470
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for frailty: R29.6
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D and
- Removed Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35

**Quality ID #238 (CBE 0022): Use of High-Risk Medications in Older Adults**

- Updated Numerator Statement (Submission Criteria 1)
- Updated Numerator Definitions (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Added Numerator Note (Submission Criteria 1)

**Quality ID # 243: Cardiac Rehabilitation Patient Referral from an Outpatient Setting**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for Chronic Stable Angina; Acute Myocardial Infarction
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 92930, 92945
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements

**Quality ID #249: Barrett's Esophagus**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #250: Radical Prostatectomy Pathology Reporting**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #259: Rate of Endovascular Aneurysm Repair (EVAR) of Small or Moderate Non-Ruptured Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms (AAA) without Major Complications (Discharged to Home by Post-Operative Day #2)**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for non-rupture, infrarenal abdominal aortic aneurysms
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #261: Referral for Otologic Evaluation for Patients with Acute or Chronic Dizziness**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1440' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #264: Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy for Invasive Breast Cancer**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #268: Epilepsy: Counseling for Women of Childbearing Potential with Epilepsy**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #275: Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD): Assessment of Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) Status Before Initiating Anti-TNF (Tumor Necrosis Factor) Therapy**

- Updated Denominator Criteria
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: K52.3

**Quality ID #277: Sleep Apnea: Severity Assessment at Initial Diagnosis**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for sleep apnea
- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1441
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #279: Sleep Apnea: Assessment of Adherence to Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA) Therapy**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for obstructive sleep apnea
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #282: Dementia: Functional Status Assessment**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #286: Dementia: Safety Concern Screening and Follow-Up for Patients with Dementia**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #288: Dementia: Education and Support of Caregivers for Patients with Dementia**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #290: Assessment of Mood Disorders and Psychosis for Patients with Parkinson's Disease**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #291: Assessment of Cognitive Impairment or Dysfunction for Patients with Parkinson's Disease**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #293: Rehabilitative Therapy Referral for Patients with Parkinson's Disease**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #303: Cataracts: Improvement in Patient's Visual Function within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #304: Cataracts: Patient Satisfaction within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #317: Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 92532, 92534, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1442' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #320 (CBE 0658): Appropriate Follow-Up Interval for Normal Colonoscopy in Average Risk Patients**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #322: Cardiac Stress Imaging Not Meeting Appropriate Use Criteria: Preoperative Evaluation in Low-Risk Surgery Patients**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #326: Atrial Fibrillation and Atrial Flutter: Chronic Anticoagulation Therapy**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for atrial fibrillation or atrial flutter
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #331: Adult Sinusitis: Antibiotic Prescribed for Acute Viral Sinusitis (Overuse)**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for acute sinusitis
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 98000, 98001, 98004, 98005, 98008, 98009, 98012, 98013
- Added Numerator Note

**Quality ID #332: Adult Sinusitis: Appropriate Choice of Antibiotic: Amoxicillin With or Without Clavulanate Prescribed for Patients with Acute Bacterial Sinusitis (Appropriate Use)**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for acute sinusitis; bacterial and infectious agents
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 98000, 98001, 98004, 98005, 98008, 98009, 98012, 98013

**Quality ID #335: Maternity Care: Elective Delivery (Without Medical Indication) at < 39 Weeks (Overuse)**

- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1444

**Quality ID #336: Maternity Care: Postpartum Follow-up and Care Coordination**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1445

**Quality ID #338: HIV Viral Suppression**

- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: O98.711, O98.712, O98.713, O98.719, O98.72, O98.73
- Added Denominator Coding, HCPCS: G0402

- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 99243
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #340: HIV Annual Retention in Care**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis of HIV
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: B97.35, O98.711, O98.712, O98.713, O98.719, O98.72, O98.73
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT and HCPCS: 99385\*, 99386, 99387, 99429\*, G0402, G0438, G0439
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 99201, 99241, 99243
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #344: Rate of Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA) or Carotid Artery Stenting (CAS) for Asymptomatic Patients, Without Major Complications (Discharged to Home by Post-Operative Day #2)**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements

**Quality ID #350: Total Knee or Hip Replacement: Shared Decision-Making: Trial of Conservative (Non-surgical) Therapy**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 27445

**Quality ID #351: Total Knee or Hip Replacement: Venous Thromboembolic and Cardiovascular Risk Evaluation**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 27445

**Quality ID #354: Anastomotic Leak Intervention**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #355: Unplanned Reoperation within the 30-Day Postoperative Period**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #356: Unplanned Hospital Readmission within 30 Days of Principal Procedure**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #357: Surgical Site Infection (SSI)**

- Updated Denominator Instructions

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

#### **Quality ID #358: Patient-Centered Surgical Risk Assessment and Communication**

- Updated Denominator Criteria
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 27458, 27713, 33882, 35602, 37254, 37256, 37258, 37260, 37263, 37265, 37267, 37269, 37271, 37273, 37275, 37277, 37280, 37282, 37284, 37286, 37288, 37290, 37292, 37294, 37296, 37298, 43889, 47384, 52597, 55868, 55869, 1019T
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 27445, 27468, 33889, 33891, 37220, 37221, 37224, 37225, 37226, 37227, 37228, 37229, 37230, 37231, 37500, 38225, 38226, 38227, 38228, 52647
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

#### **Quality ID #360: Optimizing Patient Exposure to Ionizing Radiation: Count of Potential High Dose Radiation Imaging Studies: Computed Tomography (CT) and Cardiac Nuclear Medicine Studies**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 77014, 0042T
- Added Denominator coding, CPT: 70471, 70473

#### **Quality ID #364: Optimizing Patient Exposure to Ionizing Radiation: Appropriateness: Follow-up CT Imaging for Incidentally Detected Pulmonary Nodules According to Recommended Guidelines:**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

#### **Quality ID #370 (CBE 0710): Depression Remission at Twelve Months**

- Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 2)
- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for Major Depression or Dysthymia (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Updated Denominator Exclusions: M1447, M1448, M1449, M1451, M1446, M1450 (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)

#### **Quality ID #374: Closing the Referral Loop: Receipt of Specialist Report**

- Global Updates Only

#### **Quality ID #383 (CBE 1879): Adherence to Antipsychotic Medications For Individuals with Schizophrenia**

- Updated Denominator Exclusions: M1452

#### **Quality ID #384: Adult Primary Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment Surgery: No Return to the Operating Room Within 90 Days of Surgery**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #385: Adult Primary Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment Surgery: Visual Acuity Improvement Within 90 Days of Surgery**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Updated Denominator Exclusions: M1453

**Quality ID #386: Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Patient Care Preferences**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #387: Annual Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) Screening for Patients who are Active Injection Drug Users**

- Updated Denominator Criteria
- Updated Denominator Exclusion Criteria Diagnosis for Chronic Hepatitis C
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements

**Quality ID #389: Cataract Surgery: Difference Between Planned and Final Refraction**

- Updated Denominator Criteria
- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10
- Added Numerator Note

**Quality ID #392 (CBE 2474): Cardiac Tamponade and/or Pericardiocentesis Following Atrial Fibrillation Ablation**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis code for atrial fibrillation
- Updated Denominator Criteria Procedure code for atrial fibrillation ablation
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #393: Infection within 180 Days of Cardiac Implantable Electronic Device (CIED) Implantation, Replacement, or Revision**

- Updated Denominator Criteria (Submission Criteria 1 and 2)
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Updated Denominator Criteria: M1454 (Submission Criteria 1)
- Updated Denominator Criteria: M1455 (Submission Criteria 2)
- Updated Denominator Exclusion: M1456

**Quality ID #394: Immunizations for Adolescents**

- Updated Measure Description
- Updated Numerator Performance Rate 1 (Submission Criteria 1)
- Updated Numerator Options: Performance Met (G9414) and Performance Not Met (G9415) (Submission Criteria 1)

- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #395: Lung Cancer Reporting (Biopsy/Cytology Specimens)**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Procedure
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #396: Lung Cancer Reporting (Resection Specimens)**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #397: Melanoma Reporting**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #398: Optimal Asthma Control**

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 99392, 99395, 99396
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 98000, 98001, 98002, 98003, 98004, 98005, 98006, 98007, 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011
- Updated Denominator Criteria: Added M1457
- Updated Denominator Exclusions: Added M1460, M1458, M1459
- Updated Reference Coding

**Quality ID #400: One-Time Screening for Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) and Treatment Initiation**

- Updated Denominator Note
- Updated Denominator Exclusions: Added M1461
- Updated Reference Coding

**Quality ID #401: Hepatitis C: Screening for Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC) in Patients with Cirrhosis**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #404: Anesthesiology Smoking Abstinence**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #405: Appropriate Follow-up Imaging for Incidental Abdominal Lesions**

- Updated Denominator Note
- Added Denominator Definition: Simple-appearing Criteria
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #406: Appropriate Follow-up Imaging for Incidental Thyroid Nodules in Patients**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Procedure
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #410: Psoriasis: Clinical Response to Systemic Medications**

- Added Denominator Coding to list of examples of Medications, HCPCS: G9764

**Quality ID #413: Door to Puncture Time for Endovascular Stroke Treatment**

- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10

**Quality ID #415: Emergency Medicine: Emergency Department Utilization of CT for Minor Blunt Head Trauma for Patients Aged 18 Years and Older**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria
- Updated Numerator Definitions:Anticoagulant medications

**Quality ID #416: Emergency Medicine: Emergency Department Utilization of CT for Minor Blunt Head Trauma for Patients Aged 2 Through 17 Years**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #418: Osteoporosis Management in Women Who Had a Fracture**

- CBE endorsement removed
- Removed "Option 2" section of Denominator and streamlined to include one section for "Diagnosis for a fracture, expect fracture of the finger, toe, face or skull".
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98979, 99470
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for frailty: R29.6
- Added Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C0, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D
- Removed Denominator Exclusion reference coding for advanced illness: G35
- Updated Numerator Note

**Quality ID #419: Overuse of Imaging for the Evaluation of Primary Headache**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #420: Varicose Vein Treatment with Saphenous Ablation: Outcome Survey**

- Updated Denominator and Numerator Statements

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Updated Numerator Options: Denominator Exception (M1463)
- Updated Numerator Options: Performance Not Met (M1464) and (M1465)
- Updated Rationale

**Quality ID #421: Appropriate Assessment of Retrievable Inferior Vena Cava (IVC) Filters for Removal**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #422 (CBE 2063): Performing Cystoscopy at the Time of Hysterectomy for Pelvic Organ Prolapse to Detect Lower Urinary Tract Injury**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #424: Perioperative Temperature Management**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #430: Prevention of Post-Operative Nausea and Vomiting (PONV) – Combination Therapy**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #431 (CBE 2152): Preventive Care and Screening: Unhealthy Alcohol Use: Screening & Brief Counseling**

- Global Updated Only

**Quality ID #432: Proportion of Patients Sustaining a Bladder or Bowel Injury at the time of any Pelvic Organ Prolapse Repair**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #438: Statin Therapy for the Prevention and Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease**

- Added diagnosis coding for Denominator Coding, ICD-10: E11.37X1

**Quality ID #440: Skin Cancer: Biopsy Reporting Time – Pathologist to Clinician**

- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 88304
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #441: Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD) All or None Outcome Measure (Optimal Control)**

- Updated Measure Description, Numerator Statement, and Numerator Options

- Added Numerator Note
- Removed Denominator Coding, ICD-10: I74.01, I74.09, I74.10, I74.11, I74.19, I74.2, I74.3, I74.4, I74.5, I74.8, I74.9
- Added Denominator Criteria 2 Coding, CPT: 92930, 92945

**Quality ID #443: Non-Recommended Cervical Cancer Screening in Adolescent Females**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #445: Risk-Adjusted Operative Mortality for Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG)**

- CBE endorsement removed
- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10
- Removed Numerator Note

**Quality ID #448: Appropriate Workup Prior to Endometrial Ablation**

- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10

**Quality ID #450 (CBE 1858): Appropriate Treatment for Patients with Stage I (T1c) – III HER2 Positive Breast Cancer**

- Updated Denominator Note
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: C50.A0, C50.A1, C50.A2
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426 to Denominator Criteria
- Updated Denominator Criteria description for G9832
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #451 (CBE 1859): RAS (KRAS and NRAS) Gene Mutation Testing Performed for Patients with Metastatic Colorectal Cancer who Receive Anti-epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) Monoclonal Antibody Therapy**

- Updated Description
- Updated Denominator Description
- Added Denominator Note
- Added "on date of encounter" to Denominator Criteria 'Diagnosis of initial colon or rectal cancer'
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426 to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #453 (CBE 0210): Percentage of Patients who Died from Cancer Receiving Systemic Cancer-Directed Therapy in the Last 14 Days of Life (lower score – better)**

- Added Denominator Note
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: C50.A0, C50.A1, C50.A2

- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98000, 98001, 98002, 98003, 98004, 98005, 98006, 98007, 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011, 98012, 98013, 98014, 98015
- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10
- Updated Numerator Definition
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements

**Quality ID #457 (CBE 0216): Percentage of Patients who Died from Cancer Admitted to Hospice for Less than 3 Days (lower score – better)**

- Added Denominator Note
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: C50.A0, C50.A1, C50.A2
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 98000, 98001, 98002, 98003, 98004, 98005, 98006, 98007, 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011, 98012, 98013, 98014, 98015
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements

**Quality ID #459: Back Pain After Lumbar Surgery**

- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 22533, 22558, 22586, 22612, 22630, 22633
- Updated Denominator Exclusion: Added M1466

**Quality ID #461: Leg Pain After Lumbar Surgery**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 22533, 22558, 22586, 22612, 22630, 22633
- Updated Denominator Exclusion: Added M1466

**Quality ID #463: Prevention of Post-Operative Vomiting (POV) – Combination Therapy (Pediatrics)**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

**Quality ID #464 (CBE 0657): Otitis Media with Effusion: Systemic Antimicrobials - Avoidance of Inappropriate Use**

- Added "on date of the encounter" to Denominator Criteria 'Diagnosis for OME'
- Removed Denominator Coding, CPT: 98000, 98001, 98004, 98005, 98008, 98009, 98012, 98013
- Added References

**Quality ID #465: Uterine Artery Embolization Technique: Documentation of Angiographic Endpoints and Interrogation of Ovarian Arteries**

- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10

**Quality ID #468: Continuity of Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)**

- Added “on date of qualifying encounter” to Denominator Criteria ‘Diagnosis of OUD’
- Updated Numerator Note

**Quality ID #470: Functional Status After Primary Total Knee Replacement**

- Updated Denominator Identification Period to 10/1/2024 to 9/30/2025
- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10

**Quality ID #471: Functional Status After Lumbar Surgery**

- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10
- Updated Denominator Exclusion Reference Coding (M1466)

**Quality ID #477: Multimodal Pain Management**

- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10

**Quality ID #478: Functional Status Change for Patients with Neck Impairments**

- Added Denominator coding, M-code: M1426

**Quality ID #482: Hemodialysis Vascular Access: Practitioner Level Long-term Catheter Rate**

- Added reference coding for Limited Life Expectancy G0050 - metastatic cancer to add: C81.0A, C81.1A, C81.2A, C81.3A, C81.4A, C81.7A, C81.9A, C82.0A, C82.1A, C82.2A, C82.3A, C82.4A, C82.5A, C82.6A, C82.8A, C82.9A, C83.0A, C83.1A, C83.390, C83.398, C83.3A, C83.5A, C83.7A, C83.8A, C83.9A, C84.0A, C84.1A, C84.4A, C84.6A, C84.7B, C84.9A, C84.AA, C84.ZA, C85.1A, C85.2A, C85.8A, C85.9A, C86.00, C86.01, C86.10, C86.11, C86.20, C86.21, C86.30, C86.31, C86.40, C86.41, C86.50, C86.51, C86.60, C86.61, C88.00, C88.01, C88.20, C88.21, C88.30, C88.31, C88.40, C88.41, C88.80, C88.81, C88.90, C88.91
- Added reference coding for Limited Life Expectancy G0050 - coma or anoxic brain injury to add: E03.5, F01.511, F01.518, F01.52, F01.53, F01.54, F01.A0, F01.A11, F01.A18, F01.A2, F01.A3, F01.A4, F01.B0, F01.B11, F01.B18, F01.B2, F01.B3, F01.B4, F01.C0, F01.C11, F01.C18, F01.C2, F01.C3, F01.C4, F02.811, F02.818, F02.82, F02.83, F02.84, F02.A0, F02.A11, F02.A18, F02.A2, F02.A3, F02.A4, F02.B0, F02.B11, F02.B18, F02.B2, F02.B3, F02.B4, F02.C0, F02.C11, F02.C18, F02.C2, F02.C3, F02.C4, F03.911, F03.918, F03.92, F03.93, F03.94, F03.A0, F03.A11, F03.A18, F03.A2, F03.A3, F03.A4, F03.B0, F03.B11, F03.B18, F03.B2, F03.B3, F03.B4, F03.C0, F03.C11, F03.C18, F03.C2, F03.C3, F03.C4, G11.5, G11.6, G23.3, G31.80, G31.86, G37.81, G37.89, G40.841, G40.842, G40.843, G40.844, G40.C01, G40.C09, G40.C11, G40.C19, G90.B, G93.1, G93.42, G93.43, G93.44, G93.45
- Updated Numerator Note

**Quality ID #483 (CBE 3568): Person-Centered Primary Care Measure Patient Reported Outcome Performance Measure (PCPCM PRO-PM)**

- Updated Denominator Note
- Updated Numerator Statement

**Quality ID #485: Psoriasis – Improvement in Patient-Reported Itch Severity**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis of psoriasis
- Updated Numerator Instructions

**Quality ID #486: Dermatitis – Improvement in Patient-Reported Itch Severity**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for Atopic Dermatitis; Irritant Contact Dermatitis; Nummular Dermatitis; Other/Unspecified Dermatitis'
- Updated Numerator Instructions

**Quality ID #487: Screening for Social Drivers of Health**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #488: Kidney Health Evaluation**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis of Diabetes
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: E11.A

**Quality ID #489 (CBE 1662): Adult Kidney Disease: Angiotensin Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitor or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) Therapy**

- Global Updates Only

**Quality ID #490: Appropriate Intervention of Immune-Related Diarrhea and/or Colitis in Patients Treated with Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis of Cancer
- Added Denominator Coding, ICD-10: C50.A0, C50.A1, C50.A2

**Quality ID #491: Mismatch Repair (MMR) or Microsatellite Instability (MSI) Biomarker Testing Status**

- Updated Denominator Exclusion: M1467

**Quality ID #493 (CBE 3620): Adult Immunization Status**

- Updated Measure Description
- Updated Numerator Criteria (Submission Criteria 3)
- Added Submission Criteria 5
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements and Rationale

**Quality ID #495: Ambulatory Palliative Care Patients' Experience of Feeling Heard and Understood**

- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10' Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426 to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #496: Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) Risk Assessment Measure - Proportion of Pregnant/Postpartum Patients that Receive CVD Risk Assessment with a Standardized Instrument**

- Updated Denominator Definition
- Updated Denominator Exclusion Reference Coding (M1256)

**Quality ID #497: Preventive Care and Wellness (Composite)**

- Added Coding, CPT: 98979, 99470 (Submission Criteria 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6)
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 92532, 92534, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245 (Submission Criteria 7)
- Added Denominator Exclusion for Submission Criteria 3 and 4 reference coding: C79.63, G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C0, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D (Submission Criteria 3 and 4)
- Removed Denominator Exclusion reference coding: G35, M62.85 (Submission Criteria 3 and 4)
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10' (Submission Criteria 5 and 7)
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator (Submission Criteria 5 and 7)

**Quality ID #498: Connection to Community Service Provider**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #499: Appropriate Screening and Plan of Care for Elevated Intraocular Pressure Following Intravitreal or Periocular Steroid Therapy**

- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #500: Acute Posterior Vitreous Detachment Appropriate Examination and Follow-up**

- Updated Submission Frequency
- Updated Denominator Note
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'
- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426' to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #501: Acute Posterior Vitreous Detachment and Acute Vitreous Hemorrhage Appropriate Examination and Follow-up**

- Updated Submission Frequency
- Updated Denominator Note
- Removed 'Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10'

- Added 'Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426 to Denominator Criteria'

**Quality ID #502: Improvement or Maintenance of Functioning for Individuals with a Mental and/or Substance Use Disorder**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for any mental, behavioral, or substance use disorder
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT: 99492, 99493, 99484, G0323, G0556, G0557  
G0558
- Updated Denominator Exclusions: Added M1473
- Added Denominator Exclusion Reference Coding, CPT: QA00101, QA00102, QA00109, QA0011, QA0012, QA0013, QA00131, QA00139, QA00141, QA00142, QA00149, QA00151, QA00159, QA08

**Quality ID #503 (CBE 2483): Gains in Patient Activation Measure (PAM) Scores at 12 Months**

- Updated Denominator Exclusions: Added M1474, M1475, M1476, M1477, M1478
- Updated Denominator Exclusion Reference Coding to add: F19.121, F19.131, F19.150, F19.159, F19.17, F19.180, F19.181, F19.182, F19.19, F19.120, F19.130, F19.151, F19.139, F19.16, F19.17, F19.122, F19.14, F19.188, F19.132, F19.221, F19.23, F19.921, F19.931
- Removed Submission Criteria 4

**Quality ID #504: Initiation, Review, and/or Update to Suicide Safety Plan for Individuals with Suicidal Thoughts, Behavior, or Suicide Risk**

- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for any mental, behavioral, or substance use disorder (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3)
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT and HCPCS: 99492, 99493, 99484, G0323, G0556, G0557, G0558, G0560 (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3)
- Updated Denominator Exclusions: Added M1479 (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3)
- Updated Denominator Exclusion Reference Coding to add: QA00101, QA00102, QA00109, QA0011, QA0012, QA0013, QA00131, QA00139, QA00141, QA00142, QA00149, QA00151, QA00159, QA08 (Submission Criteria 1, 2, and 3)

**Quality ID #505: Reduction in Suicidal Ideation or Behavior Symptoms**

- Added "on the date of the index encounter during the denominator identification period" to Denominator Criteria 'Diagnosis for any mental, behavioral, or substance use disorder'
- Added Denominator Coding, CPT and HCPCS: 99492, 99493, 99484, G0323, G0556, G0557, G0558, G0560
- Updated Denominator: Denominator Exclusions (M1480)
- Updated Denominator Exclusion Reference Coding to add: QA00101, QA00102, QA00109, QA0011, QA0012, QA0013, QA00131, QA00139, QA00141, QA00142, QA00149, QA00151, QA00159, QA08

**Quality ID #506: Positive PD-L1 Biomarker Expression Test Result Prior to First-Line Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Therapy**

- Added “on the date of the encounter” to Denominator Criteria ‘Diagnosis for metastatic non-small cell lung cancer or squamous cell carcinoma of head and neck’
- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10  
Added Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426 to Denominator Criteria

**Quality ID #507: Appropriate Germline Testing for Ovarian Cancer Patients**

- Added “At least two patient” encounters during the performance period to Denominator Criteria
- Updated Rationale

**Quality ID #508: Adult COVID-19 Vaccination Status**

- Finalized removal for 2026

**Quality ID #509: Melanoma: Tracking and Evaluation of Recurrence**

- Added Denominator Definitions
- Updated Denominator Criteria Diagnosis for Melanoma or Melanoma in sit’
- Removed Without Telehealth Modifier (including but not limited to): GQ, GT, POS 02, POS 10
- Added ‘Without Encounters conducted via telehealth: M1426’ to Denominator Criteria
- Added Denominator CriteriaReference Coding for ‘Excisional Surgery’ to add 11600, 11601, 11602, 11603, 11604, 11606, 11620, 11621, 11622, 11623, 11624, 11626, 11640, 11641, 11642, 11643, 11644, 11646, 17311, 17312, 17313, 17314, 17315
- Updated Clinical Recommendations Statements

**Quality ID #510: First Year Standardized Kidney Transplant Waitlist Ratio (FYSWR)**

- Updated Measure Title
- Updated Denominator Statement

**Quality ID #511: Percentage of Prevalent Patients Waitlisted for Kidney Transplant (PPPW) and Percentage of Prevalent Patients Waitlisted for Kidney Transplant in Active Status (aPPPW)**

- Updated Measure Title

**Quality ID #512 Prevalent Standardized Kidney Transplant Waitlist Ratio (PSWR)**

- New Measure for 2026

**Quality ID #513 Patient Reported Falls and Plan of Care**

- New Measure for 2026

**Quality ID #516 Hepatitis C Virus (HCV): Sustained Virological Response (SVR)**

- New Measure for 2026