

## Quality ID #117: Diabetes: Eye Exam

### 2026 COLLECTION TYPE:

MERIT-BASED INCENTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM (MIPS) CLINICAL QUALITY MEASURE (CQM)

### MEASURE TYPE:

Process

### DESCRIPTION:

Percentage of patients 18-75 years of age with diabetes and an active diagnosis of retinopathy in any part of the measurement period who had a retinal or dilated eye exam by an eye care professional during the measurement period or diabetics with no diagnosis of retinopathy in any part of the measurement period who had a retinal or dilated eye exam during the measurement period or in the 12 months prior to the measurement period.

### INSTRUCTIONS:

#### **Reporting Frequency:**

This measure is to be submitted a minimum of once per performance period for denominator eligible cases as defined in the denominator criteria.

#### **Intent and Clinician Applicability:**

This measure is intended to reflect the quality of services provided for patients with diabetes mellitus. This measure may be submitted by Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) eligible clinicians who perform the quality actions as defined by the numerator based on the services provided and the measure-specific denominator coding.

#### **Measure Strata and Performance Rates:**

This measure contains one strata defined by a single submission criteria.

This measure produces a single performance rate.

#### **Implementation Considerations:**

For the purposes of MIPS implementation, this patient-process measure is submitted a minimum of once per patient during the performance period. The most advantageous quality data code (QDC) will be used if the measure is submitted more than once.

#### For Numerator Option: Performance Met: Low risk for retinopathy (no evidence of retinopathy in the prior year) 3072F

This code can only be used if the claim/encounter was during the measurement period because it indicates that the patient had "no evidence of retinopathy in the prior year". This code definition indicates results were negative; therefore, a result is not required.

#### **Telehealth:**

**TELEHEALTH ELIGIBLE:** This measure is appropriate for and applicable to the telehealth setting. Patient encounters conducted via telehealth using encounter code(s) found in the denominator encounter criteria are allowed for this measure. Therefore, if the patient meets all denominator criteria for a telehealth encounter, it would be appropriate to include them in the denominator eligible patient population. Telehealth eligibility is at the measure level for inclusion within the denominator eligible patient population and based on the measure specification definitions which are independent of changes to coding and/or billing practices.

#### **Measure Submission:**

The quality data codes listed do not need to be submitted by MIPS eligible clinicians, groups, or third party intermediaries that utilize this collection type for submissions; however, these codes may be submitted for those third party intermediaries that utilize Medicare Part B claims data. The coding provided to identify the measure criteria:

Denominator or Numerator, may be an example of coding that could be used to identify patients that meet the intent of this clinical topic. When implementing this measure, please refer to the 'Reference Coding' section to determine if other codes or code languages that meet the intent of the criteria may also be used within the medical record to identify and/or assess patients. For more information regarding Application Programming Interface (API), please refer to the Quality Payment Program (QPP) website.

**DENOMINATOR:**

Patients 18 - 75 years of age with diabetes with a visit during the measurement period.

**DENOMINATOR NOTE:**

*To assess the age for exclusions, the patient's age on the date of the encounter should be used.*

*\*Signifies that this CPT Category I code is a non-covered service under the Medicare Part B Physician Fee Schedule (PFS). These non-covered services should be counted in the denominator population for MIPS CQMs.*

**Denominator Criteria (Eligible Cases):**

Patients 18 to 75 years of age on date of encounter

**AND**

**Diagnosis for diabetes (ICD-10-CM):** E10.A2, E10.10, E10.11, E10.21, E10.22, E10.29, E10.311, E10.319, E10.3211, E10.3212, E10.3213, E10.3219, E10.3291, E10.3292, E10.3293, E10.3299, E10.3311, E10.3312, E10.3313, E10.3319, E10.3391, E10.3392, E10.3393, E10.3399, E10.3411, E10.3412, E10.3413, E10.3419, E10.3491, E10.3492, E10.3493, E10.3499, E10.3511, E10.3512, E10.3513, E10.3519, E10.3521, E10.3522, E10.3523, E10.3529, E10.3531, E10.3532, E10.3533, E10.3539, E10.3541, E10.3542, E10.3543, E10.3549, E10.3551, E10.3552, E10.3553, E10.3559, E10.3591, E10.3592, E10.3593, E10.3599, E10.36, E10.37X1, E10.37X2, E10.37X3, E10.37X9, E10.39, E10.40, E10.41, E10.42, E10.43, E10.44, E10.49, E10.51, E10.52, E10.59, E10.610, E10.618, E10.620, E10.621, E10.622, E10.628, E10.630, E10.638, E10.641, E10.649, E10.65, E10.69, E10.8, E10.9, E11.00, E11.01, E11.21, E11.22, E11.29, E11.311, E11.319, E11.3211, E11.3212, E11.3213, E11.3219, E11.3291, E11.3292, E11.3293, E11.3299, E11.3311, E11.3312, E11.3313, E11.3319, E11.3391, E11.3392, E11.3393, E11.3399, E11.3411, E11.3412, E11.3413, E11.3419, E11.3491, E11.3492, E11.3493, E11.3499, E11.3511, E11.3512, E11.3513, E11.3519, E11.3521, E11.3522, E11.3523, E11.3529, E11.3531, E11.3532, E11.3533, E11.3539, E11.3541, E11.3542, E11.3543, E11.3549, E11.3551, E11.3552, E11.3553, E11.3559, E11.3591, E11.3592, E11.3593, E11.3599, E11.36, E11.37X1, E11.37X2, E11.37X3, E11.37X9, E11.39, E11.40, E11.41, E11.42, E11.43, E11.44, E11.49, E11.51, E11.52, E11.59, E11.610, E11.618, E11.620, E11.621, E11.622, E11.628, E11.630, E11.638, E11.641, E11.649, E11.65, E11.69, E11.8, E11.9, E13.00, E13.01, E13.10, E13.11, E13.21, E13.22, E13.29, E13.311, E13.319, E13.3211, E13.3212, E13.3213, E13.3219, E13.3291, E13.3292, E13.3293, E13.3299, E13.3311, E13.3312, E13.3313, E13.3319, E13.3391, E13.3392, E13.3393, E13.3399, E13.3411, E13.3412, E13.3413, E13.3419, E13.3491, E13.3492, E13.3493, E13.3499, E13.3511, E13.3512, E13.3513, E13.3519, E13.3521, E13.3522, E13.3523, E13.3529, E13.3531, E13.3532, E13.3533, E13.3539, E13.3541, E13.3542, E13.3543, E13.3549, E13.3551, E13.3552, E13.3553, E13.3559, E13.3591, E13.3592, E13.3593, E13.3599, E13.36, E13.37X1, E13.37X2, E13.37X3, E13.37X9, E13.39, E13.40, E13.41, E13.42, E13.43, E13.44, E13.49, E13.51, E13.52, E13.59, E13.610, E13.618, E13.620, E13.621, E13.622, E13.628, E13.630, E13.638, E13.641, E13.649, E13.65, E13.69, E13.8, E13.9, O24.011, O24.012, O24.013, O24.019, O24.02, O24.03, O24.111, O24.112, O24.113, O24.119, O24.12, O24.13, O24.311, O24.312, O24.313, O24.319, O24.32, O24.33, O24.811, O24.812, O24.813, O24.819, O24.82, O24.83

**AND**

**Patient encounter during the performance period (CPT or HCPCS):** 92002, 92004, 92012, 92014, 98000, 98001, 98002, 98003, 98004, 98005, 98006, 98007, 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011, 98012, 98013, 98014, 98015, 98016, 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205, 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215, 99341, 99342, 99344, 99345, 99347, 99348, 99349, 99350, 99385\*, 99386\*, 99387\*, 99395\*, 99396\*, 99397\*, G0402, G0438, G0439

**AND NOT**

**DENOMINATOR EXCLUSIONS:**

Patient is using hospice services any time during the measurement period: G9714

OR

Patient is using palliative care services any time during the measurement period: G9994

OR

Patient age 66 or older in Institutional Special Needs Plans (SNP) or residing in long-term care with POS code 32, 33, 34, 54, or 56 for more than 90 consecutive days during the measurement period: G2105

OR

Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND a dispensed medication for dementia during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period: G2106

OR

Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND an advanced illness diagnosis during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period: G2107

OR

Patients who have bilateral absence of eyes any time during the patient's history through the end of the measurement period: M1428

**Reference Coding/Medication:**

**Table 1:** Denominator Exclusion for a dispensed medication for dementia [G2106] is defined by the following Dementia Medications **only**:

Description	Prescription	
Cholinesterase inhibitors	Donepezil Galantamine	Rivastigimine
Miscellaneous central nervous system agents	Memantine	
Dementia combinations	Donepezil-memantine	

**Denominator Exclusion for Frailty [G2106 and G2107] is defined by the following coding only:**

99504, 99509, E0100, E0105, E0130, E0135, E0140, E0141, E0143, E0144, E0147, E0148, E0149, E0163, E0165, E0167, E0168, E0170, E0171, E0250, E0251, E0255, E0256, E0260, E0261, E0265, E0266, E0270, E0290, E0291, E0292, E0293, E0294, E0295, E0296, E0297, E0301, E0302, E0303, E0304, E0424, E0425, E0430, E0431, E0433, E0434, E0435, E0439, E0440, E0441, E0442, E0443, E0444, E0462, E0465, E0466, E0470, E0471, E0472, E0561, E0562, E1130, E1140, E1150, E1160, E1161, E1240, E1250, E1260, E1270, E1280, E1285, E1290, E1295, E1296, E1297, E1298, G0162, G0299, G0300, G0493, G0494, S0271, S0311, S9123, S9124, T1000, T1001, T1002, T1003, T1004, T1005, T1019, T1020, T1021, T1022, T1030, T1031, L89.000, L89.001, L89.002, L89.003, L89.004, L89.006, L89.009, L89.010, L89.011, L89.012, L89.013, L89.014, L89.016, L89.019, L89.020, L89.021, L89.022, L89.023, L89.024, L89.026, L89.029, L89.100, L89.101, L89.102, L89.103, L89.104, L89.106, L89.109, L89.110, L89.111, L89.112, L89.113, L89.114, L89.116, L89.119, L89.120, L89.121, L89.122, L89.123, L89.124, L89.126, L89.129, L89.130, L89.131, L89.132, L89.133, L89.134, L89.136, L89.139, L89.140, L89.141, L89.142, L89.143, L89.144, L89.146, L89.149, L89.150, L89.151, L89.152, L89.153, L89.154, L89.156, L89.159, L89.200, L89.201, L89.202, L89.203, L89.204, L89.206, L89.209, L89.210, L89.211, L89.212, L89.213, L89.214, L89.216, L89.219, L89.220, L89.221, L89.222, L89.223, L89.224, L89.226, L89.229, L89.300, L89.301, L89.302, L89.303, L89.304, L89.306, L89.309, L89.310, L89.311, L89.312, L89.313, L89.314, L89.316, L89.319, L89.320, L89.321, L89.322, L89.323, L89.324, L89.326, L89.329, L89.40, L89.41, L89.42, L89.43, L89.44, L89.45, L89.46, L89.500, L89.501, L89.502, L89.503, L89.504, L89.506, L89.509, L89.510, L89.511, L89.512, L89.513, L89.514, L89.516, L89.519, L89.520, L89.521, L89.522, L89.523, L89.524, L89.526, L89.529, L89.600, L89.601, L89.602, L89.603, L89.604, L89.606, L89.609, L89.610, L89.611, L89.612, L89.613, L89.614, L89.616, L89.619, L89.620, L89.621, L89.622, L89.623, L89.624, L89.626, L89.629, L89.810, L89.811, L89.812, L89.813, L89.814, L89.816, L89.819, L89.890, L89.891, L89.892, L89.893, L89.894, L89.896, L89.899,

L89.90, L89.91, L89.92, L89.93, L89.94, L89.95, L89.96, M62.50, M62.81, R26.2, R26.89, R26.9, R29.6, R53.1, R53.81, R54, R62.7, R63.4, R63.6, R64, W01.0XXA, W01.0XXD, W01.0XXS, W01.10XA, W01.10XD, W01.10XS, W01.110A, W01.110D, W01.110S, W01.111A, W01.111D, W01.111S, W01.118A, W01.118D, W01.118S, W01.119A, W01.119D, W01.119S, W01.190A, W01.190D, W01.190S, W01.198A, W01.198D, W01.198S, W06.XXXA, W06.XXXD, W06.XXXS, W07.XXXA, W07.XXXD, W07.XXXS, W08.XXXA, W08.XXXD, W08.XXXS, W10.0XXA, W10.0XXD, W10.0XXS, W10.1XXA, W10.1XXD, W10.1XXS, W10.2XXA, W10.2XXD, W10.2XXS, W10.8XXA, W10.8XXD, W10.8XXS, W10.9XXA, W10.9XXD, W10.9XXS, W18.00XA, W18.00XD, W18.00XS, W18.02XA, W18.02XD, W18.02XS, W18.09XA, W18.09XD, W18.09XS, W18.11XA, W18.11XD, W18.11XS, W18.12XA, W18.12XD, W18.12XS, W18.2XXA, W18.2XXD, W18.2XXS, W18.30XA, W18.30XD, W18.30XS, W18.31XA, W18.31XD, W18.31XS, W18.39XA, W18.39XD, W18.39XS, W19.XXXA, W19.XXXD, W19.XXXS, Y92.199, Z59.3, Z73.6, Z74.01, Z74.09, Z74.1, Z74.2, Z74.3, Z74.8, Z74.9, Z91.81, Z99.11, Z99.3, Z99.81, Z99.89

**Denominator Exclusion for Advanced Illness [G2107] is defined by the following coding only:**

A81.00, A81.01, A81.09, C25.0, C25.1, C25.2, C25.3, C25.4, C25.7, C25.8, C25.9, C71.0, C71.1, C71.2, C71.3, C71.4, C71.5, C71.6, C71.7, C71.8, C71.9, C77.0, C77.1, C77.2, C77.3, C77.4, C77.5, C77.8, C77.9, C78.00, C78.01, C78.02, C78.1, C78.2, C78.30, C78.39, C78.4, C78.5, C78.6, C78.7, C78.80, C78.89, C79.00, C79.01, C79.02, C79.10, C79.11, C79.19, C79.2, C79.31, C79.32, C79.40, C79.49, C79.51, C79.52, C79.60, C79.61, C79.62, C79.70, C79.71, C79.72, C79.81, C79.82, C79.89, C79.9, C91.00, C91.02, C92.00, C92.02, C93.00, C93.02, C93.90, C93.92, C93.Z0, C93.Z2, C94.30, C94.32, F01.50, 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, F02.80, 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, F03.90, 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, F04, F10.27, F10.96, F10.97, G10, G12.21, G20.A1, G20.A2, G20.B1, G20.B2, G20.C, G30.0, G30.1, G30.8, G30.9, G31.01, G31.09, G31.83, G35.A, G35.B0, G35.B1, G35.B2, G35.C0, G35.C1, G35.C2, G35.D, I09.81, I11.0, I12.0, I13.0, I13.11, I13.2, I50.1, I50.20, I50.21, I50.22, I50.23, I50.30, I50.31, I50.32, I50.33, I50.40, I50.41, I50.42, I50.43, I50.810, I50.811, I50.812, I50.813, I50.814, I50.82, I50.83, I50.84, I50.89, I50.9, J43.0, J43.1, J43.2, J43.8, J43.9, J68.4, J84.10, J84.112, J84.170, J84.178, J96.10, J96.11, J96.12, J96.20, J96.21, J96.22, J96.90, J96.91, J96.92, J98.2, J98.3, K70.10, K70.11, K70.2, K70.30, K70.31, K70.40, K70.41, K70.9, K74.00, K74.01, K74.02, K74.1, K74.2, K74.4, K74.5, K74.60, K74.69, N18.5, N18.6

#### **NUMERATOR:**

Patients with an eye screening for diabetic retinal disease. This includes patients with diabetes who had one of the following:

- A diagnosis of retinopathy in any part of the measurement period and a retinal or dilated eye exam by an eye care professional in the measurement period
- No diagnosis of retinopathy in any part of the measurement period and a retinal or dilated eye exam by an eye care professional in the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period
- An autonomous eye exam in the measurement period
- A retinal exam finding with a retinopathy severity level in any part of the measurement period
- A retinal exam finding with no retinopathy severity level in the year prior to the measurement period

#### **NUMERATOR NOTE:**

*The eye exam must be performed or reviewed by an ophthalmologist or optometrist, or there must be evidence that fundus photography results were read by a system that provides an artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation and documented as with or without retinopathy (reporting of CPT 92229 meets the intent of the quality action for performance met). Alternatively, results may be read by a qualified reading center that operates under the direction of a medical director who is a retinal specialist.*

**Numerator Options:**

*Performance Met:*

Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy (M1220)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy (M1221)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy (2024F)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy (2025F)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy (2026F)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy (2033F)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

Low risk for retinopathy (no evidence of retinopathy in the prior year) (3072F)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

Retinal exam finding with evidence of retinopathy in left, right or both eyes with severity level documented (M1429)

**OR**

*Performance Met:*

Retinal exam finding without evidence of retinopathy in both eyes with severity level documented (in measurement year or in the prior year) (M1430)

**OR**

*Performance Not Met:*

Dilated eye exam was not performed, reason not otherwise specified (2022F or 2024F or 2026F with 8P)

**RATIONALE:**

Diabetes is the eighth leading cause of death in the United States. In 2021, diabetes affected more than 38 million Americans (11.6 percent of the U.S. population) and killed more than 103,000 people (American Diabetes Association [ADA], 2024). Diabetes is a long-lasting disease marked by high blood glucose levels, resulting from the body's inability to produce or use insulin properly (Centers for Disease Control [CDC], 2025a). People with diabetes are at increased risk of serious health complications including vision loss, heart disease, stroke, kidney damage, amputation of feet or legs, and premature death (CDC, 2025b).

In 2022, diabetes cost the U.S. an estimated \$413 billion: \$307 billion in direct medical costs and \$106 billion in reduced productivity. The direct medical cost of diabetes increased by 7% between 2017 and 2022 (Parker et al., 2022).

Diabetes is the leading cause of new cases of blindness among adults aged 18–64 years (CDC, 2025c). Diabetic

retinopathy is progressive damage to the small blood vessels in the retina that may result in loss of vision. Approximately 4.1 million adults are affected by diabetic retinopathy (CDC, 2025c).

#### **CLINICAL RECOMMENDATION STATEMENTS:**

American Diabetes Association (2025):

- Adults with type 1 diabetes should have an initial dilated and comprehensive eye examination by an ophthalmologist or optometrist within 5 years after the onset of diabetes. (Level of evidence: B)
- Patients with type 2 diabetes should have an initial dilated and comprehensive eye examination by an ophthalmologist or optometrist at the time of the diabetes diagnosis. (Level of evidence: B)
- If there is no evidence of retinopathy for one or more annual eye exams and glycemic indicators are within goal range, i, then screening every 1–2 years may be considered. If any level of diabetic retinopathy is present, subsequent dilated retinal examinations should be repeated at least annually by an ophthalmologist or optometrist. If retinopathy is progressing or sight threatening, then examinations by an ophthalmologist will be required more frequently. (Level of evidence: B)
- Programs that use retinal photography with remote reading or the use of U.S. Food and Drug Administration–approved artificial intelligence algorithms to improve access to diabetic retinopathy screening are appropriate screening strategies for diabetic retinopathy. Such programs need to provide pathways for timely referral for a comprehensive eye examination when indicated. (Level of Evidence: B)

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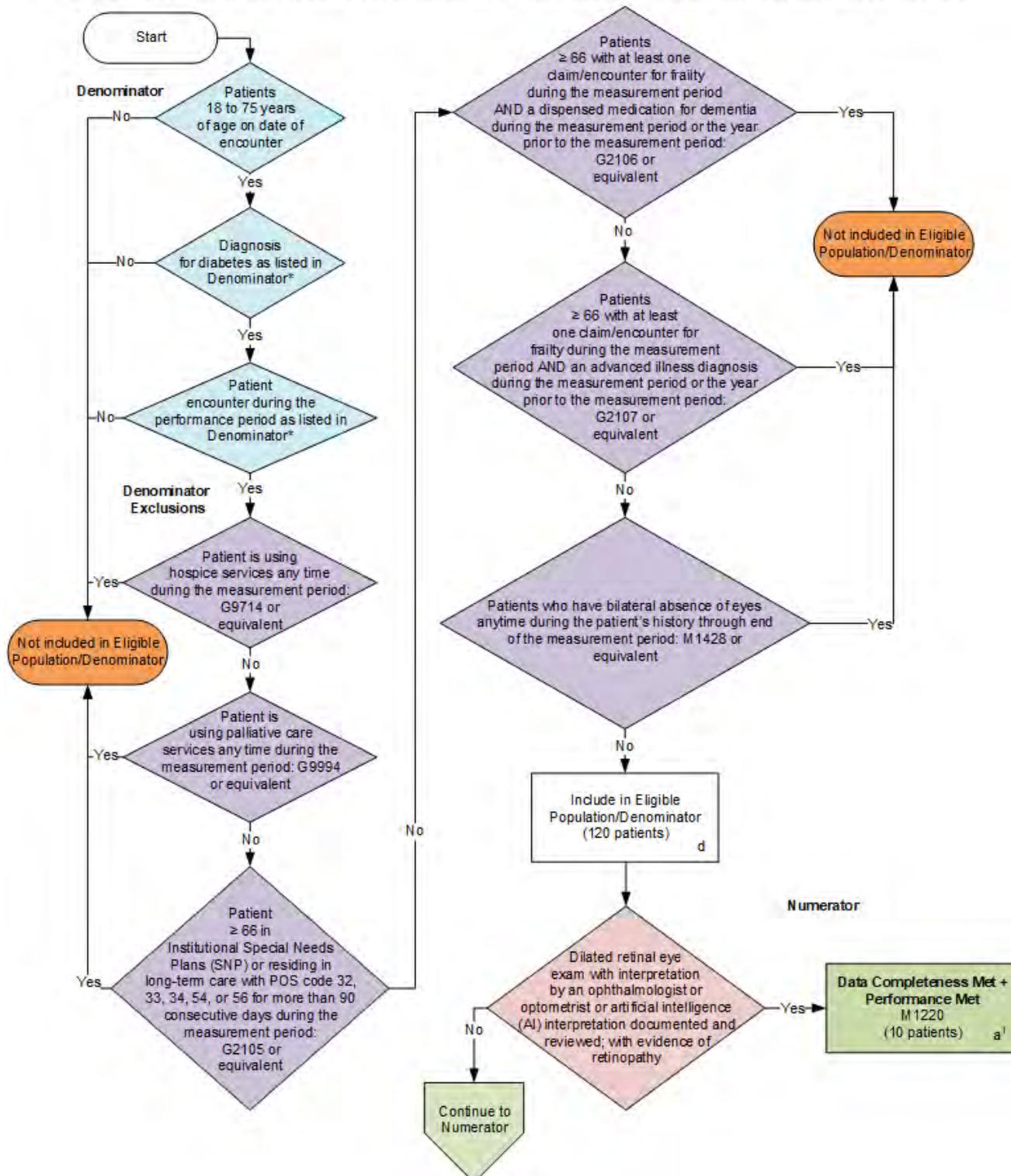
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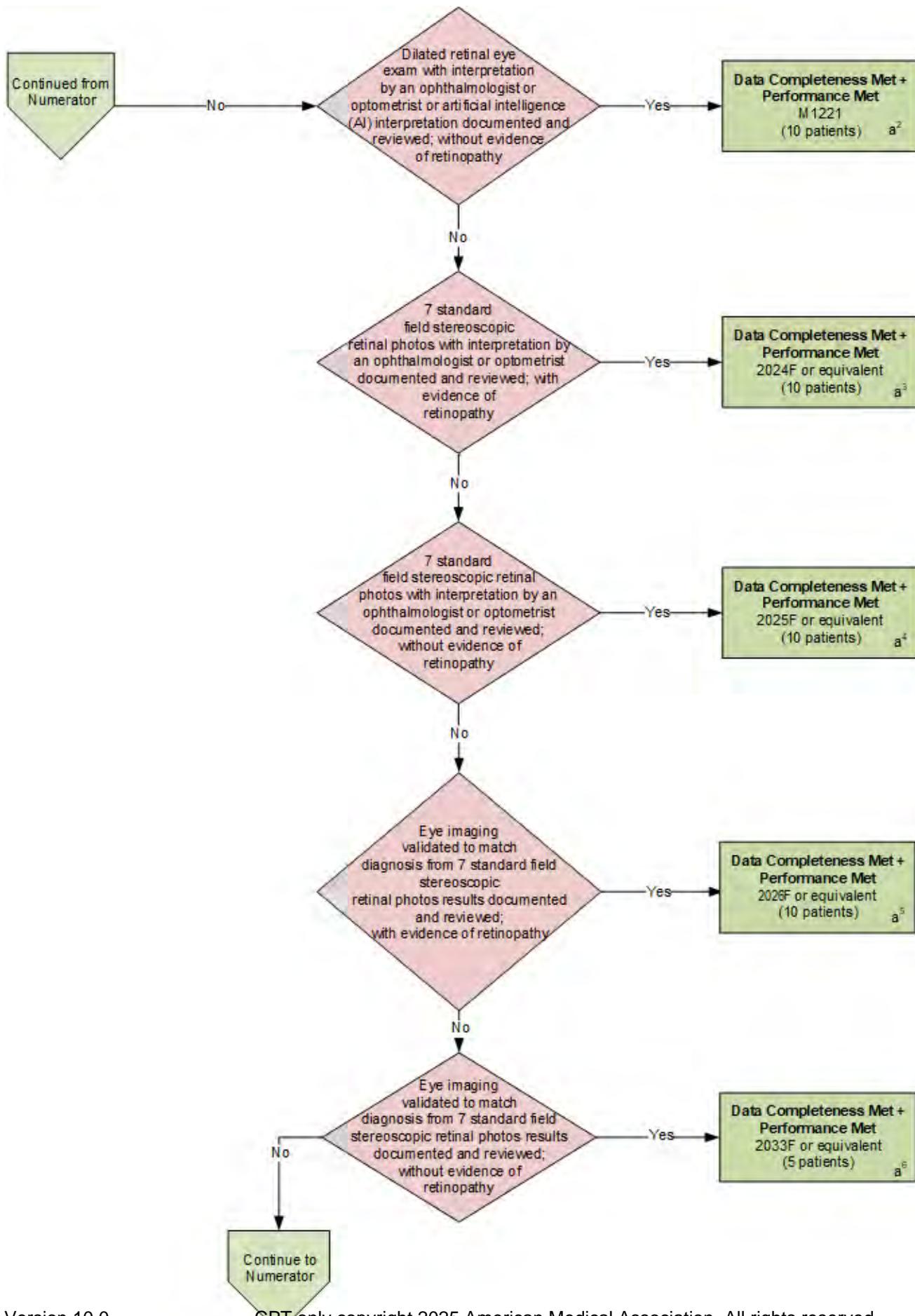
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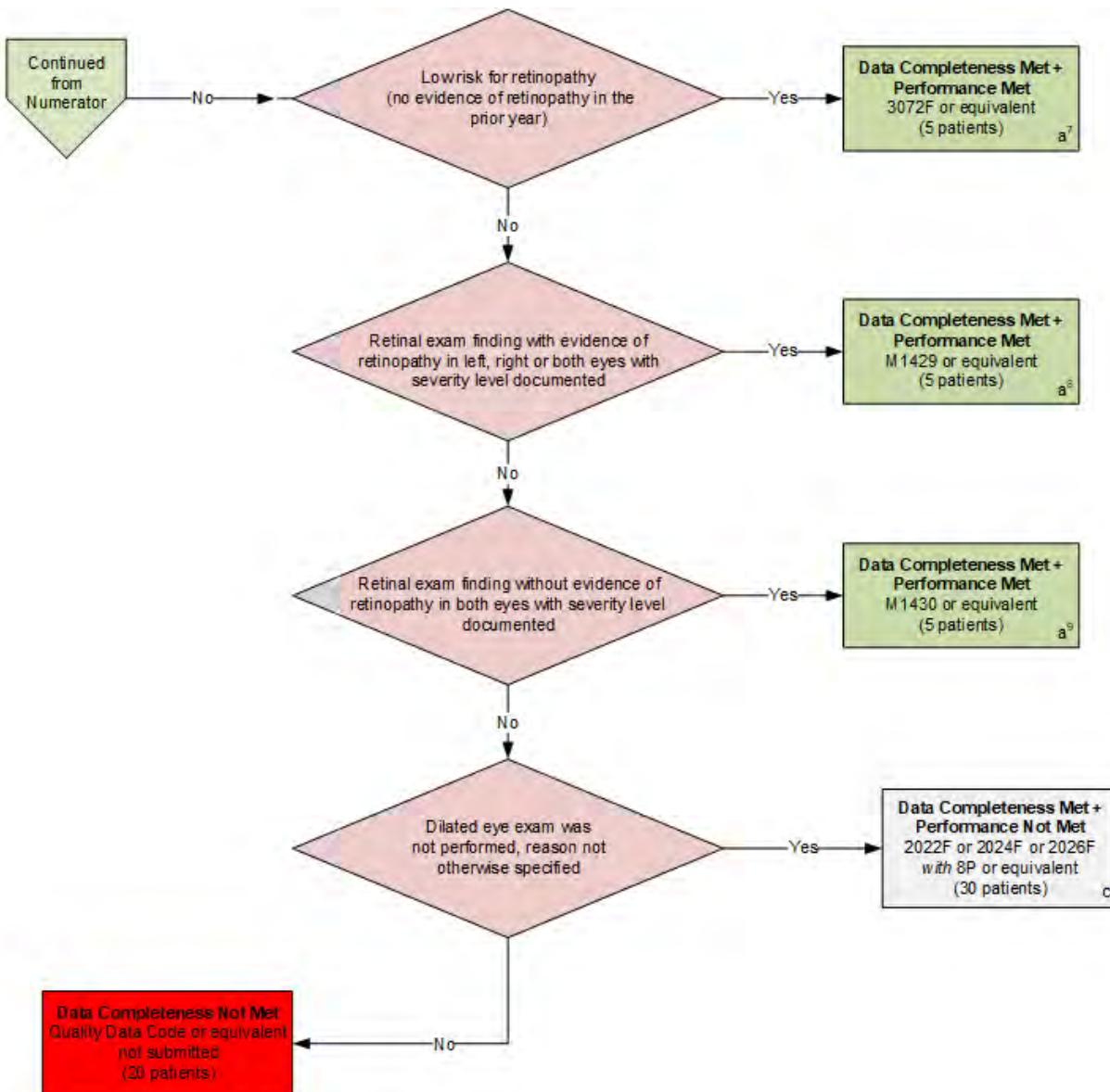
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## 2026 Clinical Quality Measure Flow for Quality ID #117: Diabetes: Eye Exam

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#### SAMPLE CALCULATIONS

##### **Data Completeness=**

$$\frac{\text{Performance Met (a}^1+\text{a}^2+\text{a}^3+\text{a}^4+\text{a}^5+\text{a}^6+\text{a}^7+\text{a}^8+\text{a}^9=70 \text{ patients}) + \text{Performance Not Met (c=30 patients)}}{\text{Eligible Population / Denominator (d=120 patients)}} = \frac{100 \text{ patients}}{120 \text{ patients}} = 83.33\%$$

##### **Performance Rate=**

$$\frac{\text{Performance Met (a}^1+\text{a}^2+\text{a}^3+\text{a}^4+\text{a}^5+\text{a}^6+\text{a}^7+\text{a}^8+\text{a}^9=70 \text{ patients})}{\text{Data Completeness Numerator (100 patients)}} = \frac{70 \text{ patients}}{100 \text{ patients}} = 70.00\%$$

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## 2026 Clinical Quality Measure Flow Narrative for Quality ID #117: Diabetes: Eye Exam

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1. Start with Denominator
2. Check *Patients 18 to 75 years of age on date of encounter*.
  - a. If *Patients 18 to 75 years of age on date of encounter* equals No, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing.
  - b. If *Patients 18 to 75 years of age on date of encounter* equals Yes, proceed to check *Diagnosis for diabetes as listed in Denominator\**.
3. Check *Diagnosis for diabetes as listed in Denominator\**.
  - a. If *Diagnosis for diabetes as listed in Denominator\** equals No, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing.
  - b. If *Diagnosis for diabetes as listed in Denominator\** equals Yes, proceed to check *Patient encounter during the performance period as listed in Denominator\**.
4. Check *Patient encounter during the performance period as listed in Denominator\**.
  - a. If *Patient encounter during the performance period as listed in Denominator\** equals No, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing.
  - b. If *Patient encounter during the performance period as listed in Denominator\** equals Yes, proceed to check *Patient is using hospice services any time during the measurement period*.
5. Check *Patient is using hospice services any time during the measurement period*.
  - a. If *Patient is using hospice services any time during the measurement period* equals Yes, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing
  - b. If *Patient is using hospice services any time during the measurement period* equals No, proceed to check *Patient is using palliative care services any time during the measurement period*.
6. Check *Patient is using palliative care services any time during the measurement period*.
  - a. If *Patient is using palliative care services any time during the measurement period* equals Yes, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing
  - b. If *Patient is using palliative care services any time during the measurement period* equals No, proceed to check *Patient age 66 or older in Institutional Special Needs Plans (SNP) or residing in long-term care with POS code 32, 33, 34, 54, or 56 for more than 90 consecutive days during the measurement period*.
7. Check *Patient age 66 or older in Institutional Special Needs Plans (SNP) or residing in long-term care with POS code 32, 33, 34, 54, or 56 for more than 90 consecutive days during the measurement period*.
  - a. If *Patient age 66 or older in Institutional Special Needs Plans (SNP) or residing in long-term care with POS code 32, 33, 34, 54, or 56 for more than 90 consecutive days during the measurement period* equals Yes, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing.

b. If *Patient age 66 or older in Institutional Special Needs Plans (SNP) or residing in long-term care with POS code 32, 33, 34, 54, or 56 for more than 90 consecutive days during the measurement period* equals No, proceed to check *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND a dispensed medication for dementia during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period*.

8. Check *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND a dispensed medication for dementia during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period*:

- If *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND a dispensed medication for dementia during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period* equals Yes, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing.
- If *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND a dispensed medication for dementia during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period* equals No, proceed to check *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND an advanced illness diagnosis during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period*.

9. Check *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND advanced illness diagnosis during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period*:

- If *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND an advanced illness diagnosis during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period* equals Yes, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing.
- If *Patients 66 years of age and older with at least one claim/encounter for frailty during the measurement period AND an advanced illness diagnosis during the measurement period or the year prior to the measurement period* equals No, include check *Patients who have bilateral absence of eyes anytime during the patient's medical history through end of the measurement period*.

10. Check *Patients who have bilateral absence of eyes anytime during the patient's medical history through end of the measurement period*:

- If *Patients who have bilateral absence of eyes anytime during the patient's medical history through end of the measurement period*, equals Yes, do not include in *Eligible Population/Denominator*. Stop processing.
- If *Patients who have bilateral absence of eyes anytime during the patient's medical history through end of the measurement period*, equals No, include in *Eligible Population/ Denominator*.

11. Denominator Population:

- Denominator Population is all Eligible Patients in the Denominator. Denominator is represented as Denominator in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter d equals 120 patients in the Sample Calculation.

12. Start Numerator

13. Check *Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy*:
  - a. If *Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy* equals Yes, include in *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*.
    - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>1</sup> equals 10 patients in the Sample Calculation.
  - b. If *Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy* equals No, proceed to check *Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy*.
14. Check *Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy*.
  - a. If *Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy* equals Yes, include in *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*.
    - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>2</sup> equals 10 patients in the Sample Calculation.
  - b. If *Dilated retinal eye exam with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist or artificial intelligence (AI) interpretation documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy* equals No, proceed to check *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy*.
15. Check *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy*.
  - a. If *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy* equals Yes, include in *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*.
    - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>3</sup> equals 10 patients in the Sample Calculation.
  - b. If *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy* equals No, proceed to check *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy*.
16. Check *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy*.
  - a. If *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy* equals Yes, include in *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*.

- *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>4</sup> equals 10 patients in the Sample Calculation.

b. If *7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos with interpretation by an ophthalmologist or optometrist documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy* equals No, proceed to check *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy*.

17. Check *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy*.

- a. If *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy* equals Yes, include in *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*.
  - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>5</sup> equals 10 patients in the Sample Calculation.

b. If *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; with evidence of retinopathy* equals No, proceed to check *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy*.

18. Check *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy*.

- a. If *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy* equals Yes, include in the *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*.
  - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>6</sup> equals 5 patients in the Sample Calculation.

b. If *Eye imaging validated to match diagnosis from 7 standard field stereoscopic retinal photos results documented and reviewed; without evidence of retinopathy* equals No, proceed to check *Low risk for retinopathy (no evidence of retinopathy in the prior year)*.

19. Check *Low risk for retinopathy (no evidence of retinopathy in the prior year)*:

- a. If *Low risk for retinopathy (no evidence of retinopathy in the prior year)* equals Yes, include in the *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*.
  - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>7</sup> equals 5 patients in the Sample Calculation.

b. If *Low risk for retinopathy (no evidence of retinopathy in the prior year)* equals No, proceed to check *Retinal exam finding with evidence of retinopathy in left, right or both eyes with severity level documented*.

20. Check *Retinal exam finding with evidence of retinopathy in left, right or both eyes with severity level documented*

- a. If *Retinal exam finding with evidence of retinopathy in left, right or both eyes with severity level documented* equals Yes, include in *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*
  - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>8</sup> equals 5 patients in the Sample Calculation.
- b. If *Retinal exam finding with evidence of retinopathy in left, right or both eyes with severity level documented* equals No, proceed to check *Retinal exam finding without evidence of retinopathy in both eyes with severity level documented*

21. Check *Retinal exam finding without evidence of retinopathy in both eyes with severity level documented*

- a. If *Retinal exam finding without evidence of retinopathy in both eyes with severity level documented* equals Yes, include in *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met*
  - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a<sup>9</sup> equals 5 patients in the Sample Calculation.
- b. If *Retinal exam finding without evidence of retinopathy in both eyes with severity level documented* equals No, proceed to check *Dilated eye exam was not performed, reason not otherwise specified*

22. Check *Dilated eye exam was not performed, reason not otherwise specified*:

- a. If *Dilated eye exam was not performed, reason not otherwise specified* equals Yes, include in the *Data Completeness Met and Performance Not Met*.
  - *Data Completeness Met and Performance Not Met* letter is represented as Data Completeness in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter c equals 30 patients in the Sample Calculation.
- b. If *Dilated eye exam was not performed, reason not otherwise specified* equals No, proceed to check *Data Completeness Not Met*.

23. Check *Data Completeness Not Met*:

- If *Data Completeness Not Met*, the Quality Data Code or equivalent was not submitted. 20 patients have been subtracted from the Data Completeness Numerator in the Sample Calculation.

### Sample Calculations

Data Completeness equals Performance Met (a<sup>1</sup> plus a<sup>2</sup> plus a<sup>3</sup> plus a<sup>4</sup> plus a<sup>5</sup> plus a<sup>6</sup> plus a<sup>7</sup> plus a<sup>8</sup> plus a<sup>9</sup> equals 70 patients) plus Performance Not Met (c equals 30 patients) divided by Eligible Population/Denominator (d equals 120 patients). All equals 100 patients divided by 120 patients. All equals 83.33 percent.

Performance Rate equals Performance Met (a<sup>1</sup> plus a<sup>2</sup> plus a<sup>3</sup> plus a<sup>4</sup> plus a<sup>5</sup> plus a<sup>6</sup> plus a<sup>7</sup> plus a<sup>8</sup> plus a<sup>9</sup> equals 70 patients) divided by Data Completeness Numerator (100 patients). All equals 70 patients divided by 100 patients. All equals 70.00 percent.

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