



Well-Child Visits in First 30 Months of Life (W30) HEDIS® Measurement Year 2024

Measure description: The percentage of members who had the following number of well-child visits with a PCP during the last 15 months. The following rates are reported:

- *Well-Child Visits in the First 15 Months:* Children who turned 15 months old during the measurement year: Six or more well-child visits.
- *Well-Child Visits for Age 15 Months–30 Months:* Children who turned 30 months old during the measurement year: Two or more well-child visits.

Note: Medical record submission will no longer close gaps in care for well-child HEDIS measures. Care must be captured administratively.

Components of a Well-Child Visit

The well-child visit must occur with a PCP type practitioner, but the PCP does not have to be the practitioner assigned to the child. Preventive services may be rendered on visits other than well-child visits. Well-child preventive services count toward the measure, regardless of the primary intent of the visit, but services that are specific to an acute or chronic condition do not count toward the measure. Do not include services rendered during an inpatient or ED visit. The following are some examples of acceptable criteria for all the components in a well-child visit:

- Health history
- Physical developmental history (physical skills seen in children as they grow and develop)
- Mental developmental history (behaviors seen in children as they grow and develop)
- Physical exam
- Anticipatory guidance (regarding anticipation of emerging issues that a child and family may face)

Numerator codes

There is a large list of approved NCQA codes used to identify the services included in the W30 measure.

For a complete list, refer to the NCQA website at www.ncqa.org.

Well Care Visit		
CPT	99381-99385, 99391-99395, 99461	Well-care
ICD-10	Z00.121	Encounter for routine child health check with abnormal findings
ICD-10	Z00.129	Encounter for routine child health check without abnormal findings

Strategies for improvement

- Utilize NCQA coding tips to actively reflect care rendered.
- Educate staff to schedule visits within the time frames.
- Exam requirements can be performed during sick visits or a well-child exam.
- Never miss an opportunity to perform a well-child exam, even during a sick visit.
- Educate staff to schedule visits within the guideline time frames,