HEDIS MY2026 Measure Update to Adult Immunization Status

On August 1, 2025, the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) announced updates to the HEDIS Adult Immunization Status (AIS) measure for Measurement Year (MY) 2026.

- **A key change includes the addition of COVID-19 vaccination for adults 65 years and older, which has now been incorporated as an indicator within the measure.**
- This addition is in "first-year" status for MY 2026.
  - Due to the "first-year" status the COVID-19 measure is not mandatory to report.
  - Plans are still encouraged to report to help track benchmark data and improve health outcomes.

For MY 2026, the AIS measure will include the following:

- Influenza
- Td/Tdap
- Zoster
- Pneumococcal
- Hepatitis B
- COVID-19

Adult Immunization Status

Percentage of adults 19 years of age and older who are up to date on recommended vaccines for:

Vaccine-Specific Rate	Description
Influenza Immunization	Adults 19 and older who received annual flu vaccine
Td/Tdap Immunization	Adults 19 and older who received Td or Tdap vaccine within past 10 years
Hepatitis B Immunization	Adults 19-59 who received hepatitis B vaccine
Zoster Immunization	Adults 50 and older who received vaccine on or after 19th birthday
Pneumococcal Immunization	Adults 65 and older who received vaccine on or after 19th birthday
COVID-19 Immunization	Adults 65 and older who received annual COVID-19 vaccine

AIS will be reported within the following Product Lines:	• Medicaid • Commercial • Medicare

Which Steps Has Your Organization Taken to Improve Vaccination Rates Among Your Eligible Adult Patient Population?

Key Considerations and Potential Workflow Best Practices to Help Improve Immunization Rates in Eligible Patients

Measure baseline and report design →

Measure reporting and monitoring →

Gap Analysis and Analytics	Workflow Efficiency	Staff Awareness and Education	Patient Outreach/ Communication	Performance and Analytics
• How does your organization set vaccination improvement goals? • How does your organization align on care management and quality efforts?	• Does your organization have standing orders/clinical decision support in place for pre-visit planning?	• How does your organization pull through education downstream?	• Does your organization have vaccination reminder systems in place? • How does your organization conduct patient outreach/ follow-up?	• How does your organization track progress in closing vaccination gaps?

Best Practices

⊘ Run claims searches to see which members in your care management programs are potentially missing vaccinations ⊘ Assess current gaps and establish priorities	⊘ Create standing orders leveraging system functionality to help close vaccination gaps at every patient visit ⊘ Incorporate vaccination assessment into pre-visit planning ⊘ Incorporate a question related to vaccination history into patient assessments to support vaccine discussions and identification of members with vaccine care gaps	⊘ Provide education on the latest recommendations for immunization of adults ⊘ Increase training in educating patients and providing strong vaccination recommendations	⊘ Implement patient outreach programs and targeted approaches for populations that are more vaccine hesitant ⊘ Follow up to confirm patients received recommended vaccinations	⊘ Implement education and outreach programs to emphasize importance of vaccination ⊘ Establish data reporting assessment timelines on a quarterly/yearly basis to assess progress on closing vaccination gaps

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