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RE: <u>Clarification #4 for 2020 Quality Assurance Reporting Requirements Technical Specifications</u>

Dear Colleague,

This letter contains information about edits incorporated into the 2020 Quality Assurance Reporting Requirements Technical Specifications and the 2020 NYS Patient-Level Detail (PLD) File Specifications.

The information contained in this clarification has been incorporated into a revised version of the 2020 QARR manual and revised versions of the PLD specifications.

The updated 2020 QARR Manual and the PLD specifications are posted on our Managed Care Information for Health Plans page. The revised specifications should be used in plans' processing for 2020 QARR.

Listed below are the changes and further explanation:

The following edits were made to the 2020 NYS QARR Specifications Manual:

<u>Hybrid Measures (pg. 9-17, Table 1 – QARR List of Requirements)</u>
- Method designation for hybrid measures has been updated to include administrative method.

Domain in Table 1 - QARR List of Requirements	Method	Measure	Alpha Name
Effectiveness of Care	A/H	Adolescent Preventive Care	ADL
Effectiveness of Care	A/H	Adult BMI Assessment	ABA
Access / Availability of Care	A/H	Prenatal and Postpartum Care	PPC
Effectiveness of Care	A/H	Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children/Adolescents	WCC

The following edits were made to the 2020 NYS PLD File Specifications:

Products: Commercial, Medicaid, and Marketplace

Updated Measures

- Appropriate Testing for Pharyngitis (CWP)
  - Edited age stratification for CWP to "3–17 years".

Products: Commercial, Medicaid

- Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder (POD)
  - Edited specifications to account for multi-reporting.

Denominator for Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Disorder (POD)	Enter: The number of times this member is in the denominator '0' if the member is not in the denominator
Numerator for Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Disorder (POD)	Enter: The number of times this member is in the numerator '0' if the member is not in the numerator OR the information is missing

If there are any questions about the above edits, please email nysqarr@health.ny.gov.

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