

Immunizations for Adolescents (IMA)

Learn how to improve your Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®) rates by using this tip sheet about the Immunizations for Adolescents (IMA) measure, best practices and more resources.

The percentage of adolescents 13 years of age who had one dose of meningococcal vaccine, one tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine, and have completed the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine series by their 13th birthday.

LOB
Commercial
Medicaid

CMS Weight
N/A

HEDIS
2024

Compliance

The measure calculates a rate for each vaccine and two combination rates.

Meningococcal

One meningococcal serogroups A, C, W, Y vaccine, with a date of service on or between the member's 11th and 13th birthdays.

Tdap

One tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine, with a date of service on or between the member's 10th and 13th birthdays.

HPV

Either of the following will meet compliance:

1. Two HPV vaccines on or between the member's 9th and 13th birthdays and with dates of service at least 146 days apart.
2. Three HPV vaccines with different dates of service on or between the member's 9th and 13th birthdays.

Combination 1 (Meningococcal, Tdap) - Adolescents who are numerator compliant for both the meningococcal and Tdap indicators.

Combination 2 (Meningococcal, Tdap, HPV) - Adolescents who are numerator compliant for all three indicators (meningococcal, Tdap, HPV).

Exclusions

- Members in hospice or using hospice services any time during the measurement year.
- Members who died any time during the measurement year.

Best Practices

- Recommend immunizations to parents.
- Parents are more likely to agree with vaccinations when supported by the provider. Address common misconceptions about vaccinations.
- Prep the chart in advance of the visit and identify overdue immunizations.
- Make every office visit count. Take advantage of sick visits for catching up on needed vaccines.
- Recommend the HPV vaccine series the same way you recommend other adolescent vaccines.
- Use appointment reminders for well-care visits and vaccines

Description	Code
Meningococcal	CPT: 90619, 90733, 90734
Tdap	CPT: 90715
HPV	CPT: 90649, 90650, 90651
Anaphylactic reaction due to vaccination	ICD-10: T80.52XA, T80.52XD, T80.52XS

Documentation

The IMA measure is hybrid. Any care not received via claims will be captured through medical record documentation. The record must have evidence that the immunization antigen was rendered from either of the following:

- A note indicating the name of the specific antigen and the date of the immunization
- A certificate of immunization prepared by an authorized health care provider or agency, including the specific dates and types of immunizations administered

For documented history of illness or anaphylaxis, there must be a note indicating the date of the event, which must have occurred by the member’s second birthday.

For additional best practices

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/resources/index.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/immunization-training/hcp/you-call-the-shots/index.html>