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Introduction

The New Hampshire Medicaid Care Management (MCM) Quality Program Performance Report presents key indicators used to monitor MCM. This monthly report presents the most up-to-date generated and validated data for the MCM program.

The key indicators are organized into topic areas called domains. The key indicators are drawn from measures that are both available now, or will be in the future; placeholders allow users of the report to better understand when indicators become available and to provide a consistent set of information.

The report presents program-wide averages. Additional information is available for all key indicators. Additionally, the Medicaid Quality Program is developing focused reports and a web-based reporting system allowing user-directed reports.

Quality Domains

- Access and Use of Care
- Customer Experience of Care
- Provider Service Experience
- Utilization Management
- Grievances and Appeals
- Preventative Care
- Chronic Medical Care
- Behavioral Health Care
- Substance Use Disorder Care
- General
Introduction

Access and Use of Care includes key indicators in the following areas:
- Provider Network
- Ambulatory Care
- Non-Emergent Medical Transportation
- Inpatient Care
- Pharmacy

Provider Network

Figure 1-1: Member Request for Assistance Accessing Providers

Description: Access to care is an important first step in meeting health care needs. A high volume of calls requesting assistance accessing providers could indicate problems with a provider network. This measure describes members requesting help finding and getting appointments for doctors, divided by the number of members. Multiple requests by a single member are all individually counted in the rate. For ease of presentation, the rate is shown per 1,000 members. For example, a rate of 11 specialists would indicate that out of every 1000 members there were 11 individual requests for assistance in accessing a specialist.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
**Figure 1-2: Member to Provider Ratio**

Description: Access to care is an important first step in meeting health care needs. A low or falling ratio of members to providers could indicate an inadequate provider network and could increase member difficulty accessing care. This measure describes the average number of members, divided by the number of primary care doctors, pediatricians, and maternity providers.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.

**Figure 1-3: Member to Provider Ratio: Substance Abuse Counselors - NHHPP Members**

(Measure Available January 2015)

Description: Access to care is an important first step in meeting health care needs. A low or falling ratio of members to providers could indicate an inadequate provider network and would increase member difficulty accessing care. This measure describes the average number of members, divided by the number of substance use disorder providers.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter. First available January 2015.
Description: A lack of transportation can be a barrier to accessing health services. A low or falling rate of requests for transportation that have been made, but not approved and delivered could indicate that transportation needs are not being met. This measure describes the number of non-emergent requests for transportation approved and delivered, divided by the total number of non-emergent transportation requests, as a percentage. The types of transportation included in this measure are contracted transportation providers, volunteer drivers, member drivers, public transportation, and other.

Frequency: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the quarter.
**Ambulatory Care**

**Figure 1-5: Physician and APRN Clinic Visits**

*Description*: Measuring provider visits is a standard industry approach to better understand the use of ambulatory (outpatient) health services utilization. This measure describes the number of provider office visits, divided by the number of member months. The result is a quarterly rate of visits per 1,000 members. Member months are a count of how many months each member was in the managed care program. A member who was in for the full quarter would add 3 member months to the total; a member who was in the program for 1 month would add only 1 month to the total. The denominator is divided by 1,000 to calculate the rate that can be compared.

*Frequency*: Reported quarterly, available approximately 5 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 1-6: Emergency Department Visits

**Description:** Measuring emergency department visits is a standard industry approach to better understand the use of emergency departments. This measure describes the number of emergency department visits, divided by the number of member months. The result is a quarterly rate of visits per 1,000 members. Member months are a count of how many months each member was in the managed care program. A member who was in for the full quarter would add 3 member months to the total; a member who was in the program for 1 month would add only 1 month to the total. The denominator is divided by 1,000 to calculate the rate that can be compared.

**Frequency:** Reported quarterly, available approximately 5 months after end of the quarter.

**Note:** Figure 1-6 only includes data from 2 MCOs. Data from all 3 MCOs will be provided in future versions of the Key Indicators Report.
Figure 1-7: Emergency Department Visits Potentially Treatable by Primary Care

Description: The Emergency Department is not the best setting for primary care health services. A high or increasing number of visits could indicate that members are having difficulty accessing primary care services. This measure describes emergency department visits for reasons that might have been managed in a doctor’s office (for example, colds, rashes, etc.), divided by the number of member months, as a per member per month. Member months are a count of how many months each member was in the managed care program. A member who was in for the full quarter would add 3 member months to the total; a member who was in the program for 1 month would add only 1 month to the total. The denominator is divided by 1,000 to calculate the rate that can be compared.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 5 months after end of the quarter.

Inpatient Care

Figure 1-8: Inpatient Hospital Utilization Summary

(Available October 2014)

Description: Measuring hospital admissions is a standard industry approach to better understand the use of acute (hospital) health services. This measure describes the number of admissions to a hospital, divided by the number of member months. The denominator is divided by 100,000 to calculate the rate that can be compared.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 5 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 1-9: Inpatient Hospital Utilization for Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions for Adult Medicaid Members

**Description:** Ambulatory care sensitive admissions are conditions that can be impacted by the availability, use, and quality of ambulatory (office) care. A high or increasing number of admissions could indicate that members are having difficulty accessing primary care services. This measure describes the number of inpatient hospital admissions for ambulatory care sensitive conditions, divided by the number of member months. The ambulatory care sensitive conditions included in this measure are: asthma, dehydration, bacterial pneumonia, urinary tract infection, and gastroenteritis. The denominator is divided by 100,000 to calculate the rate that can be compared.

**Frequency:** Reported quarterly, available approximately 5 months after end of the quarter.

Figure 1-10: All Cause Readmissions Within 30 Days

(Available Summer 2015)

**Description:** Hospital readmissions can be an indication of avoidable difficulties transitioning from a hospital to the next care setting, either to another medical facility or home. A high or increasing number of readmissions could indicate that better discharge planning is needed. This measure describes the number of adult members who were readmitted to a hospital for any reason within 30 days of discharge, divided by the total number of members discharged from a hospital, as a percentage.

**Frequency:** Reported annually.
Pharmacy

Figure 1-11: Prescriptions Filled

Description: Measuring the number of prescriptions filled is a standard industry approach to better understand the use of pharmacy services. This measure describes the number of prescriptions filled divided by the total member months, as a per member per month. A member who was in for the full quarter would add 3 member months to the total; a member who was in the program for 1 month would add only 1 month to the total.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.

Notable Results

- A high number of member calls requesting assistance finding a doctor would be expected at the beginning of a new program like the MCM program.
- There are a high number of members per pediatrician when compared to primary care and specialty practitioners. Other access to pediatricians will be monitored to ensure that members are able to meet their health service needs.
- 21% of transportation requested were not approved or delivered. The Department is currently investigating the measure results.
- The first calendar quarter of 2014 over half of the ED visits per 1000 members were potentially treatable in a primary care setting.
**Introduction**

Customer Experience of Care includes key indicators in the following areas:

- Member Communication and Outreach
- Member Call Center
- Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS)

**Member Communication and Outreach**

**Figure 2-1: New Member Welcome Calls**

![Graph showing new member welcome calls from January 2014 to December 2014. The graph peaks in April 2014 with 4,000 calls and drops to 2863 calls in December 2014.]

**Description:** Measuring new welcome calls is a standard industry approach to better understand the extent of health plan outreach to members. This measure describes the number of new member calls made during the reporting period.

**Frequency:** Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
Figure 2-2: Calls Answered in 30 Seconds

Description: Answering incoming calls quickly is an important component of a good customer experience of care. A falling number of calls answered within 30 seconds could indicate problems within a call center. The MCM contract standard for this measure is 90%. This measure describes the number of calls from a member to their MCO that were answered within 30 seconds, divided by the number total number of calls, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
**Description**: Minimal time on hold is an important component of a good customer experience of care. A rising number of seconds could indicate problems within a call center. This measure describes the average number of seconds on hold for calls from a member to their MCO.

**Frequency**: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.

**Customer Satisfaction Survey**

**Annual CAHPS Report**

*(Available Winter 2014, then annually in Summer starting in 2015)*

The Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) is a standard national tool that measures member satisfaction with their health care. DHHS is performing a CAHPS survey to measure year one satisfaction with the MCM program with results available in the winter of 2014. The MCOs will administer the survey beginning January 2015 and each January thereafter, with results available the following Summer.

The CAHPS survey provides statistically valid measurement of members’ satisfaction and experience with care including these key areas:

- Member’s overall rating of their own health
- Satisfaction with health plan, personal doctor, specialist seen most often, and the health plan
- Satisfaction with health plan customer service
- Satisfaction with ability to access needed care
- Satisfaction with how well doctors communicate and shared decision making
Notable Results

- Member calls are being answered quickly and within MCM contract standards.
- The June and July indicators for new member calls and increases in hold time demonstrate increasing trends that may reflect the transition of Meridian members into new health plans. Additionally the Department is investigating other reasons for increasing hold times.
Introduction

Provider Service Experience includes key indicators in the following areas:

- Claims Processing
- Provider Call Center
- Provider Satisfaction Survey

Claims Processing

Figure 3-1: Professional and Facility Claims Processed in 30 Days

Description: Paying claims within 30 days is an important component of a good provider service experience. A falling number of claims processed within 30 days could impact how quickly providers receive payment. The MCM contract standard for this measure is 95%. This measure describes the number of claims paid or denied in the month, divided by the number of claims received in the month, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
Description: Processing pharmacy claims in less than one second is an important part of a good pharmacist experience of service. The measure is a federal requirement for all Medicaid programs. The MCM contract standard for this measure is 99%. This measure describes the number of pharmacy claims accurately processed within one second as a paid or denied claim, divided by the total number of pharmacy claims, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
Description: Paying claims accurately is an important component of a good provider service experience. A falling number of claims paid accurately may indicate health plan system problems that need to be addressed. The MCM contract standard for this measure is 95%. This measure describes the number of claims correctly paid or denied, divided by the total number of claims, from a sample of claims, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
Description: Answering incoming calls quickly is an important component of a good provider service experience. A falling number of calls answered within 30 seconds could indicate problems within a call center. This measure describes the number of calls from a provider to an MCO that were answered within 30 seconds, divided by the number total number of calls, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
**Figure 3-5: Average Hold Time**

![Graph showing average hold time from December 2013 to November 2014.](image)

**Description:** Minimal time on hold is an important component of a good provider service experience. An increasing hold time may indicate problems within a call center. This measure describes the average number of seconds on hold for calls from a provider to a MCO.

**Frequency:** Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.

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**Provider Satisfaction Survey**

**Annual Provider Satisfaction Report**

*(Available Winter 2014)*

Each MCO will conduct and produce an analytic narrative report that interprets the results from an annual provider satisfaction survey. This survey, administered by a third party, is based on a statistically valid sample of each major provider type: primary care providers, specialists, hospitals, pharmacies, durable medical equipment (DME) providers, and home health providers.

**Notable Results**

- Provider claims are being paid quickly, accurately and within MCM contract standards.
• Pharmacy claims are not being paid as quickly as the contract standard requires. Pharmacy claims processing is below the contract standard but continues to trend upward. For the first three months of the MCM program, most pharmacy claims were process based on previous fee-for-service Medicaid program approvals. After the first three months, the MCOs approved all pharmacy claims. This indicator will be closely monitored.

• Provider hold times are trending upward and may reflect the transition of Meridian members into new health plans. Additionally the Department is investigating other reasons for increasing hold times.
Introduction

Utilization Management includes key indicators in the following areas:

- Service Authorization Processing
- Service Authorization Determination
- Pharmacy Utilization Management

Service Authorization Processing

Figure 4-1: Urgent Medical Service Authorization Processing Rate

Description: When medical services requiring prior authorization are needed quickly, an urgent service authorization decision must be made within 72 hours. Longer times for authorization may contribute to member difficulties getting needed or timely care. (Note: Emergency care does not require prior authorization.) The MCM contract standard for this measure is 100%. This measure describes the number of urgent authorizations, both approved and denied, divided by the total number of urgent authorization requests received, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
Description: When routine medical services requiring prior authorization are needed, a service authorization decision must be made within 14 days. Longer times for authorization may contribute to member difficulties getting needed or timely care. The MCM contract standard for this measure is 100%. This measure describes the number of routine authorizations, both approved and denied, divided by the total number of routine authorization requests received, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 4-3: Pharmacy Service Authorization Processing Rate

Description: When pharmacy services requiring prior authorization are needed, a service authorization decision must be made within 24 hours. Longer times for authorization may contribute to member difficulties getting needed or timely care. This is a federal standard for all Medicaid programs. The MCM contract standard for this measure is 100%. This measure describes the number of pharmacy authorizations, both approved and denied, divided by the total number of pharmacy authorization requests received, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
Service Authorization Determinations

Figure 4-4: Service Authorization Requests and Benefit Decisions by Type of Service

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<th>Denial Rate (%)</th>
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<td>Inpatient Admissions (Non-surgical)</td>
<td>5,057</td>
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<td>4,054</td>
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<td>3,984</td>
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<td>Non-Emergent Medical Transportation</td>
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<td>Pharmacy</td>
<td>10,440</td>
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**Description:** Measuring the types and outcomes for health care service authorizations is a standard industry approach to better understand health care services utilization. The measure counts the total number of service authorizations received, approved and denied, by selected categories of service. It also includes the percent of service authorizations received, approved, and denied by all categories of service. The measure also includes pending authorizations, but for readability those counts are not included in this measure. As a result the approval and denial rate will not total 100% in this table.

**Frequency:** Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 4-5: Generic Drug Utilization Adjusted for Preferred Brands

Description: Measuring generic drug use is a standard industry approach to better understand pharmacy services utilization. This measure describes the number of generic prescriptions filled, divided by the total number of prescriptions filled, as a percentage. This measure does not include generics on the non-preferred list.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.

Notable Results

- Urgent and routine service authorizations are being processed within MCM contract standards.

- Pharmacy authorizations are not being processed within MCM contract standards. This has been discussed with the MCOs. Ad hoc May data from the MCOs shows an upward trend and improvement for this measure.
Introduction

Grievances and Appeals include key indicators in the following areas:

- Counts
- Processing Timeframes

Counts

Figure 5-1: Grievances

Description: Grievances are counted when a member contacts the health plan with a concern or complaint. An increasing number of grievances, or a single serious grievance, could indicate that additional health plan attention is needed. This measure counts the total number of grievances received. For ease of presentation, the rate is shown per 10,000 members. For example, a rate of 1 grievance would indicate that out of every 10,000 members there was 1 individual filing of a grievance.

Frequency: Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
**Figure 5-2: Number of Appeals**

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**Selected Services**

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<td>Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapies</td>
<td>26</td>
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<td>Non-Emergent Medical Transportation</td>
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<td>Pharmacy</td>
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<td>Private Duty Nursing</td>
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<td>Personal Care Attendant</td>
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**Description:** Measuring the number of service authorization appeals by type of health care service is a standard industry approach to better understand health care services utilization. A rising number of appeals could indicate difficulties with utilization management or access to health care services. This measure counts the total number of appeals received, by selected categories of service, and the total of all appeals received.

**Frequency:** Reported monthly, available approximately 2 months after end of the month.
Figure 5-3: Grievance Dispositions Made in 45 Calendar Days

Description: Resolving grievances within 45 days ensures that substantive problems are recognized and addressed by the health plan. A falling rate of grievances resolved within 45 days could contribute to difficulties for other members. The MCM contract standard for this measure is 100%. This measure counts the number of grievances resolved within 45 days, divided by the total number of grievances received, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 5-4: Standard Appeals Resolved in 30 Calendar Days

**Description:** Standard appeals require a decision within 30 calendar days. Resolving appeals within 30 days ensures that needed health care services are not inordinately delayed. A falling rate of appeals resolved within 30 days could contribute to delays in needed health care for members. The contract standard for this measure is 98%. This measure counts the number of routine appeals resolved within 30 days, divided by the total number of appeals received, as a percentage.

**Frequency:** Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 5-5: Expedited Appeals Resolved in 3 Calendar Days

Description: Expedited appeals require a decision within 3 calendar days. Resolving expedited appeals within 3 days ensures that needed health care services are not inordinately delayed. A falling rate of expedited appeals resolved within 3 days could contribute delays in needed health care for members. The contract standard for this measure is 100%. This measure counts the number of expedited appeals resolved, divided by the total number of expedited appeals received, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.

Notable Results

- The number of grievances is increasing over time. 57% of the grievances in the first quarter were related to transportation and pharmacy concerns. This upward trend is in part due to members redirecting their concerns to the MCO and not DHHS. The Department is currently engaged in a quality review of pharmacy appeals and grievances. The Department will continue to closely monitor this trend.

- The number of appeals by category of service will be trended in future reports.

- Grievances and appeals (standard and expedited) are being resolved within MCM contract standards.
Introduction

Preventive Care includes key indicators in the following areas:

- Prevention Assessment
- Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) Preventive Care Measures

Prevention Assessment

Figure 6-1: Health Risk Assessment Completed

(Available March 2015)

Description: Health risk assessments help a health plan better understand what medical services a member may need. Health risk assessments are helpful in identifying and addressing gaps in preventive services. A low or falling number of health risk assessments completed could contribute to missed opportunities to provide preventive care. This measure counts the total number of health risk assessments completed.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 2 months after end of the quarter.

Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) Preventive Care Measures

The Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) is a standard national tool to measure performance on important dimensions of care and service, including preventive care and services. Altogether, HEDIS consists of 81 measures across five domains of care. The results, available annually in the Summer, allow an ability to monitor and conduct performance improvement activities related to health outcomes. The five domains of care are:

- Effectiveness of care
- Access and availability of care
- Experience of care
- Utilization and relative resource use
- Health plan board certification and membership overview

Notable Results
Introduction

Chronic Medical Care includes key indicators in the following areas:

- Pharmacy
- Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) Chronic Care Measures

Pharmacy

Figure 6-2: Maintenance Medication Gaps

(Available October 2014)

Description: Missing medication doses can contribute to poor health. A rising number of missed doses may indicate greater risk for adverse health outcomes. This measure describes the number of maintenance medications with gaps greater than 20 days between refills, divided by the number of members on maintenance medications, as a percentage. Maintenance medications are drugs that a member takes for longer than 120 days.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 6 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 6-3: Polypharmacy Monitoring for All Medications

Description: Medications can interact with each other and can contribute to poor health. Polypharmacy means that a member is taking multiple medications. Members on multiple medications can be at greater risk for adverse health outcomes. A rising or high number of members using multiple medications may indicate drug use review is needed. This measure describes the number of members taking multiple medications, divided by the number of members, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.

Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) Clinical Measures

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- Effectiveness of care
- Access and availability of care
- Experience of care
- Utilization and relative resource use
- Health plan board certification and membership overview

Notable Results
Introduction

Behavioral Health Care includes key indicators in the following areas:

- New Hampshire Hospital Discharges
- Behavioral Health Survey

New Hampshire Hospital Discharges

Figure 7-1: Members with Follow-up Appointment 7 Calendar Days Post Discharge

Description: A follow appointment within 7 days of discharge from a New Hampshire Hospital can help ensure that a member continues to improve and stays well after discharge. A low or falling number of follow up appointments within 7 days could indicate that better discharge planning is needed. This measure describes the number of adult members who were discharged from New Hampshire Hospital and followed-up with a doctor within 7 days of discharge, divided by the total number of members discharged from New Hampshire Hospital, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.
Figure 7-2: Readmission to New Hampshire Hospital at 30 days - Excluding New Hampshire Health Protection Program (NHHPP) Members

(Available October 2014)

Description: Hospital readmissions can be an indication of avoidable difficulties transitioning from a hospital to an outpatient care setting. A high or increasing number of readmissions could indicate that better discharge planning is needed. This measure describes the number of adult members who were readmitted to New Hampshire Hospital within 30 days, divided by the total number of members discharged from New Hampshire Hospital, as a percentage.

Frequency: Reported quarterly, available approximately 3 months after end of the quarter.

Behavioral Health Survey

Annual Behavioral Health Annual Survey

(Available Summer 2015)

Description: This narrative report will describe results from a consumer satisfaction survey from members with behavioral health conditions. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) tools and methodology will be used.

Frequency: Collected annually and available approximately in October.

Notable Results

- Members discharged from New Hampshire Hospital are not seeing providers within 7 days. Improving follow up with providers is a focus of a Performance Improvement Project that is outlined in the MCM contract.
Introduction

Substance use disorder (SUD) services will be initiated in phases with the start of the New Hampshire Health Protection Program (NHHPP). When implemented, Substance Use Disorder Care will include key indicators in the following areas:

- Overall Rate of Users of Any SUD Service in NHHPP Population
- SUD Service Utilization by Service
- Use of the ED for SUD conditions in NHHPP and Existing Medicaid Population

Substance Use Disorder Services:

Overall Rate of Users of Any SUD Service in NHHPP Population.

(Available February 2015)

SUD Service Utilization by Service:

- Outpatient Counseling
- Medically Monitored Withdrawal
- Opioid Treatment Center
- Use of Buprenorphine
- Partial Hospitalization
- Intensive Outpatient Treatment
- Inpatient Withdrawal
- Rehabilitation
- Mobile Crisis Intervention
- Office Based Crisis Intervention

(Available February 2015)

Use of the ED for SUD conditions in NHHPP and Existing Medicaid Population

(Available February 2015)

Notable Results
Introduction

The General domain includes key indicators in the following area:

- External Quality Review Organization Technical Report

External Quality Review Organization Technical Report


(Available Winter 2015)

Description: An External Quality Review Organization is an independent entity ensuring compliance with federal and state regulations and quality outcomes. HSAG, Inc. is the EQRO for the New Hampshire MCM program. The EQRO Technical report is an annual detailed report describing MCO data aggregation and analysis and the way in which MCO conclusions were drawn regarding the timeliness, quality, and access to care furnished by the managed care organization.

The full content of the Technical Report will be available as a stand-alone document.

Frequency: Annual in November.

Notable Results