



# Immunizations for Adolescents (IMA)

## HEDIS® Measurement Year 2024

**Measure description:** The percentage of children who turned 13 years of age during the measurement year and had the following vaccinations on or by their 13th birthday:

- One dose of meningococcal vaccine
- One tetanus, diphtheria toxoids, and one acellular pertussis vaccine (Tdap)
- Completed the human papillomavirus (HPV) series

### Documentation required

The medical record must have evidence that the immunization 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

### Meningococcal

- At least one meningococcal serogroups A, C, W, Y vaccine, with a date of service on or between the member's 11th and 13th birthdays.
- Please note: Meningococcal recombinant (serogroup B) (MenB) vaccines will not count towards adherence for measure.

### Tdap

- At least one tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis Tdap vaccine, with a date of service on or between the member's 10th and 13th birthdays.
- There must be at least 146 days between the first and second dose of the HPV vaccine or at least three HPV vaccines with different dates of service on or between the member's ninth and thirteenth birthdays.

### HPV

- At least two HPV vaccines with different dates of service on or between the member's 9th and 13th birthdays.

### Strategies for improvement

- Utilize NCQA coding tips to actively reflect care rendered.
- Outreach parents to schedule their child's vaccination appointments.
- Administer vaccinations during already scheduled appointments.
- At each appointment, review immunization records and encourage the opportunity to catch up on missing vaccines.
- Educate parents on vaccinations and their side effects.
- Provide handouts on the diseases that the vaccines prevent.
- Educate parents on the importance of completing the HPV series and that the HPV vaccine will not cause promiscuity.

### Numerator codes

There is a large list of approved NCQA codes used to identify the services included in the IMA measure. The following are just a few of the approved codes.

**For a complete list, refer to the NCQA website at [www.ncqa.org](http://www.ncqa.org).**