

HEDIS[®] Tips:

Immunizations for Adolescents (IMA)

MEASURE DESCRIPTION

The percentage of adolescents 13 years of age who received the following vaccines **on or before the 13th birthday**:

- One dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine of serogroups A, C, W, Y (must be completed on or between the 11th and 13th birthdays).
- One tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine (must be completed on or between the 10th and 13th birthdays).
- At least two Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines with dates of services at least 146 days apart or three HPV vaccines with different dates of service on or between the 9th and 13th birthdays.

CODES INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT HEDIS[®] MEASURE

Codes to Identify Adolescent Immunizations

Description	Code
Meningococcal	CPT[®] : 90619, 90733, 90734 CVX : 32, 108, 114, 136, 147, 167, 203
Tdap	CPT[®] : 90715 CVX : 115
HPV	CPT[®] : 90649, 90650, 90651 CVX : 62, 118, 137, 165

HOW TO IMPROVE HEDIS[®] SCORES

- Use the State immunization registry.
- Review missing vaccines with parents.
- Recommend immunizations to parents. Parents are more likely to agree with vaccinations when supported by the provider. Address common misconceptions about vaccinations.
- Train office staff to 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.
- Institute a system for patient reminders.
- Review if vaccines may have been given before patients were Molina members. Include these on the patients' vaccination record even if your office did not provide the vaccine.
- Administer the HPV vaccine at the same time as other vaccines. Inform parents that the full HPV vaccine series requires 2 or 3 shots and have a system for patient reminders.
- Recommend the HPV vaccine series the same way you recommend other adolescent vaccines. Parents are more likely to agree with vaccinations when supported by the provider. Address common misconceptions about the HPV vaccine.

“Administer recommended vaccines if immunization history is incomplete or unknown. Do not restart or add doses to vaccine series for extended intervals between doses.”

Reference: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2022, February 17). *Birth-18 years immunization schedule*. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Retrieved from <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/child-adolescent.html>

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