2021 Core Set of Maternal and Perinatal Health Measures for Medicaid and CHIP (Maternity Core Set)

To support CMS's maternal and perinatal health-focused efforts, CMS identified a core set of 11 measures for voluntary reporting by state Medicaid and CHIP agencies. This Core Set, which consists of 7 measures from CMS's Child Core Set and 4 measures from the Adult Core Set, will be used by CMS to measure and evaluate progress toward improvement of maternal and perinatal health in Medicaid and CHIP.

NQF#	CMS Core Set	Measure Steward	Measure Name	Data Collection Method
0469/ 0469e	Adult	TJC	PC-01: Elective Delivery (PC01-AD)	Hybrid or EHR
1360	Child	CDC	Audiological Diagnosis No Later Than 3 Months of Age (AUD-CH)	EHR
1382	Child	CDC	Live Births Weighing Less Than 2,500 Grams (LBW-CH)	State vital records
1392	Child	NCQA	Well-Child Visits in the First 30 Months of Life (W30-CH)*	Administrative
1517**	Child	NCQA	Prenatal and Postpartum Care: Timeliness of Prenatal Care (PPC-CH)	Administrative or hybrid
1517**	Adult	NCQA	Prenatal and Postpartum Care: Postpartum Care (PPC-AD)	Administrative or hybrid
2902	Child	OPA	Contraceptive Care – Postpartum Women Ages 15 to 20 (CCP-CH)	Administrative
2902	Adult	OPA	Contraceptive Care – Postpartum Women Ages 21 to 44 (CCP-AD)	Administrative
2903/ 2904	Child	OPA	Contraceptive Care – All Women Ages 15 to 20 (CCW-CH)	Administrative
2903/ 2904	Adult	OPA	Contraceptive Care – All Women Ages 21 to 44 (CCW-AD)	Administrative
NA	Child	CDC	Low-Risk Cesarean Delivery (LRCD-CH)***	State vital records

More information on 2021 Updates to the Child and Adult Core Health Care Quality Measurement Sets is available at https://www.medicaid.gov/federal-policy-guidance/downloads/cib111920.pdf. A resource that provides a history of the measures included in the Child and Adult Core Sets is available at https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/quality-of-care/downloads/core-set-history-table.pdf.

CDC = Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; CHIP = Children's Health Insurance Program; CMS = Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; EHR = Electronic Health Record; NCQA = National Committee for Quality Assurance; NQF = National Quality Forum; OPA = U.S. Office of Population Affairs; TJC = The Joint Commission.

The complete list of 2021 Child Core Set measures is available at https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/quality-of-care/downloads/performance-measurement/2021-child-core-set.pdf.

The complete list of 2021 Adult Core Set measures is available at https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/quality-of-care/downloads/performance-measurement/2021-adult-core-set.pdf.

^{*} The Well-Child Visits in the First 15 Months of Life (W15-CH) measure was modified by the measure steward. It now includes two rates: (1) six or more well-child visits in the first 15 months and (2) two or more well-child visits from 15 to 30 months. The NQF number refers to the endorsement of the W15-CH measure.

^{**} This measure is no longer endorsed by NQF.

^{***} The Low-Risk Cesarean Delivery (LRCD-CH) measure replaced the PC-02: Cesarean Birth measure in the 2021 Child Core Set. To reduce state burden and report a cesarean birth measure consistently across all states, CMS will calculate the LRCD-CH measure on behalf of states using National Vital Statistics System Natality data that are submitted by states and obtained through CDC Wide-ranging Online Data for Epidemiologic Research (WONDER) starting in FFY 2021.