



AmeriHealth Caritas™

New Hampshire

To: AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Medicaid Providers

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Subject: HEDIS Measure: Diabetes Screening for People with Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disorder Who Are Using Antipsychotic Medications (SSD)

Summary: AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire is sharing best practice recommendations to improve performance on the HEDIS Diabetes Screening for People with Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disorder Who Are Using Antipsychotic Medications (SSD) measure. This measure evaluates whether members 18-64 years of age prescribed antipsychotic medications and diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder receive annual diabetic screening. SSD is a priority for ACNH for 2026.

AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire is committed to working closely with providers to improve the quality of care for our members. We utilize the National Committee for Quality Assurances Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set specifications to monitor adherence to metabolic testing.

Measurement Period: A calendar year running from January 1 through December 31.

Measurement Requirements:

- Members 18-64 years old
- Diagnosed with Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disorder
- 2 or less antipsychotic prescriptions during the measurement year

Compliance Criteria: Members must receive at least one diabetes screening test during the measurement year. *(Documentation of completed test is sufficient for compliance)*

- Blood Glucose Test
- HbA1c testing

Common Medications <i>(Examples)</i>	Coding Guidance <i>(Examples)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aripiprazole • Risperidone • Quetiapine • Olanzapine • Clozapine • Paliperidone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blood Glucose/HbA1c <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 83036, 83037 (HbA1c) ○ 82947-82951 (Glucose) ○ 80047-80053 (Metabolic)

Best Practices:

1. Order diabetes screening annually for all eligible members

2. Complete labs during annual visits or routine follow-ups
3. Use EMR alerts or patient registration portal to track testing status
4. Coordinate care between behavioral health and primary care providers
5. Educate families on the importance of lab monitoring
6. Let us help you help the member. Use our "[Let Us Know Program Member Intervention Request Form](#)" for Care Management referral.

Disclaimer: Physicians and other Health care providers are solely responsible for the treatment decisions for their patients and should not use the information in this communication to substitute independent clinical judgment.

Questions: If you have questions about this communication or would like a full list of codes affected by this change, please contact your Provider Account Executive or the Provider Services department at **1-888-599-1479**.
