

# Memorandum

To: Gold Coast Health Plan Primary Care Providers, OB/GYNs, Practitioners and Midwives

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Re: **Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) HEDIS® Measure**

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## Importance of Prenatal and Postpartum Exams

Prenatal and postpartum care is essential for helping women maintain good health during their pregnancies and to prevent complications that can adversely affect their health and the health of their babies.

## Health Effectiveness Data Information Set (HEDIS®) Performance Metric that Measures Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC)

The Prenatal and Postpartum Care measure evaluates the percentage of women with live birth deliveries who had prenatal and postpartum care within the following time periods:

- A **prenatal exam** with an OB/GYN or PCP during the **first trimester or within 42 days of enrollment** with a health plan.
- A **postpartum exam** with an OB/GYN, PCP, or midwife between **21 and 56 days (3 to 8 weeks) after delivery**.
  - **NOTE:** Office visits within 21 days of delivery for exams such as wound checks and staple removal are not compliant with HEDIS® requirements for a postpartum visit.

## Decline in GCHP's PPC Rates

GCHP's 2015 rates for both prenatal and postpartum care have decreased. According to the National Committee for Quality Assurance's (NCQA) national percentile ranking, these scores rank in the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile.

GCHP's PPC Rates for the 2012 to 2015 Measurement Years

Measure	2012	2013	2014	2015	2014 to 2015 Rate Decline
Prenatal Care	80.78	83.94	85.68	82.24	-3.44
Postpartum Care	63.99	59.37	62.81	59.12	-3.69

## GCHP's Postpartum Member Reward Program

GCHP launched a postpartum member reward program in 2015 to incentivize new mothers to complete their postpartum exams.

Women who complete a postpartum exam 21 to 56 days after their delivery may be eligible to receive a free pack of 148 diapers. To apply for this reward, GCHP must receive a reward form that is signed by both the member and the practitioner who performed the postpartum exam.

GCHP members with a pregnancy diagnosis are notified by mail of the postpartum reward program. Providers can also download the form for their patients from GCHP's website.

[Click here](#) to bookmark the Member Rewards web page.  
[Click here](#) to download the form.

## How Providers Can Improve Their Prenatal and Postpartum Care HEDIS® Scores

### 1. Document All Pertinent Diagnostic Conditions and Services Performed

- **Prenatal exam documentation** must include the exam date, the clinician's signature and **one** of the following:
  - A basic physical obstetrical exam such as:
    - auscultation for fetal heart tone;
    - pelvic exam with obstetric observations;
    - measurement of fundus height.
  - A prenatal care procedure such as:
    - Obstetric panel that includes hematocrit, differential WBC count, platelet count, hepatitis B surface antigen, rubella antibody, syphilis test, RBC antibody screen, Rh and ABO blood typing.
    - TORCH antibody panel.
    - A rubella antibody test/titer with an Rh incompatibility (ABO/Rh) blood typing.
    - Echography of a pregnant uterus.
  - Documentation of LMP or EDD in conjunction with either of the following:
    - Prenatal risk assessment and counseling/education.
    - Complete obstetrical history.
- **Postpartum exam documentation** must include the exam date, the clinician's signature and **one** of the following:
  - Pelvic exam.
  - Evaluation of weight, blood pressure, breasts and abdomen.
  - Notation of postpartum care: "postpartum care" or "pp check" or "6-week check."
  - Postpartum care form.

2. Code All Pertinent Prenatal and Postpartum Diagnostic Conditions and Services Provided on Claims

<b>Prenatal Care Codes</b>			
<b>Codes for Reporting Pregnancy Diagnoses</b>		<b>ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes</b>	
<i>Supervision of Pregnancy</i>		O09.x	
<i>Conditions &amp; Disorders in Pregnancy</i>		O10.x-O16.x, O20.x-O26.x, O28.x--O36.x, O40.x-O48.x, O60.x, O71.x, O88.x, O91.x-O92.x, O98.x-O99.x, O9A.x	
<i>Encounter for Prenatal Condition</i>		Z03.7x, Z33.x	
<i>Encounter for Supervision of Pregnancy</i>		Z34.x	
<b>Codes for Reporting Prenatal Services</b>		<b>CPT</b>	<b>HCPCS</b>
<i>Office Visit Evaluation &amp; Management</i>		99201 - 99205, 99211 - 99215, 99241- 99245	G0463, T1015
<i>Antepartum Obstetric Care</i>		99500	H1000-H1004
<i>Prenatal Bundled Services</i>		59400, 59425, 59426, 59510, 59610, 59618	H1005
<i>Obstetric Panels</i>		80055, 80081	
<i>Antibody Panels</i>			
<i>Taxoplasma</i>		86777-86778	
<i>Rubella</i>		86762	
<i>Cytomegalovirus</i>		86644	
<i>Herpes Simplex</i>		86994-86996	
<i>Blood Typing</i>			
<i>ABO</i>		86900	
<i>Rh</i>		86901	
<i>Ultrasounds</i>		76801, 76805, 76811, 76813, 76815, 76816-76821, 76825-76828	

Postpartum Care Codes			
Codes for Reporting Postpartum Diagnoses	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes		
<i>Encounter for Postpartum Care</i>	Z01.411, Z01.419, Z01.42, Z30.430, Z39.1, Z39.2		
Codes for Reporting Postpartum Services	CPT	HCPCS	CPT-II For Quality Measure Reporting
<i>Postpartum Bundles Services</i>	59400, 59410, 59510, 59515, 59610, 59614, 59618, 59622		
<i>Postpartum Only Visits</i>	57170, 58300, 59430, 99501	G0101	0503F
<i>Cervical Cytology</i>	88141-88143, 88147-88148, 88150, 88152-88154, 88164-88167, 88174-88175	G0123-G0124 G0143-G0145 G0147-G0148 P3000-P3001 Q0091	

3. *Schedule Prenatal and Postpartum Exams within the Required Time Frames*

- Schedule postpartum exams before delivery, such as the end of the third trimester.
- Schedule postpartum exams early within the 21 to 56 post-delivery time frame to allow time for rescheduling missed or canceled appointments.
- Schedule postpartum visits with newborn visits.

If you have any questions, please contact GCHP's Quality Improvement Department at 1-805-437-5592 or [hedis@goldchp.org](mailto:hedis@goldchp.org).

**Thank you for your commitment to improving the health of GCHP's members.**