

## HEDIS<sup>®</sup> MEASURE: BREAST CANCER SCREENING

Gold Coast Health Plan's goal is to help its providers gain compliance with their annual Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS<sup>®</sup>) scores by providing guidance and resources. This tip sheet will provide the key components to the HEDIS<sup>®</sup> measure, "Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)."

**Measure Description: This measure evaluates the percentage of women ages 50 to 74 who had a mammogram to screen for breast cancer from December 31 of the measurement year back to October 1 of the two years prior.**

This is an administrative measure, which only uses medical codes found in administrative data (claims, encounter, and supplemental data) to calculate the rate of mammograms.

Medical exclusions that do not meet the intent of the measure are:

- ▶ Bilateral mastectomy
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- ▶ History of bilateral mastectomy
- ▶ Any combination of codes that indicate a mastectomy on both the left and right side on the same or different dates of service.

### Codes used to identify exclusions

Description	ICD-9-CM Diagnosis	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis	CPT	CPT II	UB Rev
Unilateral Mastectomy	85.41, 85.43, 85.45, 85.47		19220, 19200, 19240, 19304, 19305, 19306, 19307, 19303, 19180		
Bilateral Modifier				09950, 50	
Right Modifier				RT	
Left Modifier				LT	
History of Bilateral Mastectomy		Z90.13			
Absence of Right Breast		Z90.11			
Absence of Left Breast		Z90.12			
Bilateral Mastectomy	85.42, 85.44, 85.46, 85.48	OHTVOZZ			
Unilateral Mastectomy Right		OHTVOZZ			
Unilateral Mastectomy Left		OHTVOZZ			

### Codes used to identify screening mammograms

Description	ICD-9-CM Diagnosis	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis	CPT	HCPCS	UB Rev
Mammography	87.36, 87.37		77055, 77056, 77057	G0202	0403



**Ways to improve your overall HEDIS® score:**

- ▶ Ensure your documentation is clear and concise.
- ▶ Use proper coding.
- ▶ Schedule mammogram screenings for your female patients ages 50 to 74 who have not had a mammogram screening since October 1 (2 years prior).
- ▶ Encourage testing and educate your patients on the importance of early detection.
- ▶ Document and code screening mammograms on claims/encounter data.
- ▶ Document and code mastectomies (bilateral or unilateral) on claims/encounter data.
- ▶ Submit all claims/encounter data in a timely manner.

For additional information on specific HEDIS® measures, please visit the websites for the [National Committee for Quality Assurance \(NCQA\)](#) or the [Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality \(AHRQ\)](#).

Effective January 1, 2014, NCQA replaced the coding tables with “value sets” which contain all applicable codes that can be used to identify a specific service or condition included in any measure. Detailed information on the data sets and technical specifications can be found [here](#).

GCHP does not intend this information to be medical advice, but a tool to assist in compliance with the HEDIS® measures.