

BCBSM Physician Group Incentive program updates

Primary care physician updates

Quality Measure Changes

BCBSM/BCN recently released the quality measure changes for program year 2019 for their incentive programs. The following measures were added to each respective program:

BCBSM Clinical Quality Initiative, PCMH, & Clinical Quality Value-Based Reimbursement added measures:

- childhood immunization status – combo 10
- statin therapy for patients with cardiovascular disease – statin therapy (part C SPC)
- statin therapy for patients with diabetes – therapy (SP)

Performance Recognition program quality measure changes:

- BCN commercial measures removed:
 - weight assessment and counseling for nutrition and physical activity – counseling for physical activity
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 - childhood immunization status – influenza
- BCN commercial measures added:
 - childhood immunization status – combo 10
 - cervical cancer screening
 - medication management for people with asthma – 75 percent
 - controlling high blood pressure
 - statin therapy for patients with cardiovascular disease – statin therapy
 - antidepressant medication management – effective continuation phase treatment
- Medicare Advantage (BCNA/MAPPO) measures removed:
 - none
- Medicare Advantage measures added:
 - statin therapy for patients with cardiovascular disease – statin therapy (part C SPC)
 - statin therapy for patients with diabetes – therapy (SPD)

BCBSM/BCN incentive program's quality measures are similar to those of the Patient-Centered Medical Home program, for which Beaumont ACO provides quarterly scorecards for practices to monitor their progress. Beaumont ACO program coordinators will be meeting with practices in the first quarter of 2019 to further discuss the new 2019 measure changes and how practices can improve their performance. Resources and tools will be shared with physicians and staff during those meetings.

Transitions of Care/ Provider Delivered Care Management (PDCM)

The Beaumont ACO recently launched the use of Patient Ping, a national care coordination network that connects physicians with real-time health care events of their patients. Each Beaumont ACO practice participating in the PGIP program has been granted access to Patient Ping to allow for tracking and care coordination of patient admittance, discharge, transfers all hospital systems in the state of Michigan, including some skilled nursing facilities. Practices are now able to receive real-time alerts via email or text on patient ADTs, allowing for an increase in post discharge transitions of care visits within seven or 14 business days.

In addition to Patient Ping, Beaumont ACO has launched centralized care management services for BCBSM PPO & MA PPO populations. In 2018, BCBSM launched the expansion of Provider-Delivered Care Management benefits for its members allowing for more care management services to be provided that can improve patient care. This expansion pushed for Beaumont ACO to launch PDCM nurse care management services that will both improve patient outcomes and place our physicians in the position to receive additional value-based reimbursements.

Specialist updates

Specialist value-based reimbursement

The SCP VBR program will maintain its March to February incentive cycle per BCBSM. The SCP VBR program incentivizes those specialists who show both high performance in quality and cost metrics.

The following changes have been made in the program effective Friday, March 1:

- new diabetic eye exam metric for ophthalmology specialist
- removal of HbA1c testing metric from endocrinology specialist
- for anesthesiologists, VBRs will be applied to the time and based codes billed by anesthesiologist with the QK and QY modifiers.
- additional SCP who engage in Collaborative Quality Initiative are eligible to receive an additional three percent VBR this year:

2017 CQI VBR	2018 CQI VBR	2019 CQI VBR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michigan Urology Surgery Improvement Collaborative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anesthesiology Surgery Information & Reporting Exchange • BCBSM Cardiovascular Consortium – related to angioplasty procedures • MI Anticoagulation Quality Improvement Initiative • Mi Oncology Quality Consortium • MI Surgery Quality Collaborative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MI Arthroplasty Registry for CQI • MI Emergency Department Improvement Collaborative • MI Radiation Oncology Quality Consortium • MI Spine Surgery Improvement Collaborative • MI Society of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons Quality Collaborative • MI Trauma Quality Improvement Program

2019 SCP VBR results will be released in mid-February 2019. Beaumont ACO will communicate results via mail and/or email to each practice/provider.

Patient Centered Medical Home – Neighbor

An expansion of the current PCMH Program is designed for SCP who are considered the “neighbors” with whom PCPs work to deliver the best care possible to patients. BCBSMs vision is for the PCMH-N program, along with the PCMH program, to help create high functioning health care “neighborhoods” and overall Organized Systems of Care.

Beaumont ACO’s goal when building PCMH-N practice is to engage specialists in building processes within their office that will support population management, ensure effective communication and coordination of care with PCPs, provide appropriate and timely consultations and referrals and improve the care and outcomes of our shared population.

Beaumont ACO program coordinators will be reaching out to specialist offices to begin work on transforming your practices into a PCMH-N practice. PCMH-N participation is a requirement of your PGIP engagement with Beaumont ACO.