

HEDIS® Tip Sheet

Breast Cancer Screening (BCS-E)

CarePartners of Connecticut's HEDIS Tip Sheets outline key features of specific HEDIS measures. These best practices and tips can optimize HEDIS scores and identify opportunities to improve patient care.

The BCS-E measure assesses the percentage of patients 40-74 years of age who were recommended for routine breast cancer screening and had a mammogram to screen for breast cancer.

To meet measurement requirements, eligible patients must have completed a mammogram between Oct. 1, two years prior to the measurement (current) year, and Dec. 31 of the measurement (current) year.



Provider Best Practices & Measure Tips

- **Encourage** testing and educate patients on the importance of a screening mammogram for early detection of breast cancer.
- **Address** potential fear of mammograms.
- **Assist** with scheduling appointments well in advance to ensure that a mammogram can be completed by the end of the measurement year.
- **Consider** barriers to care — such as transportation or interpretation needs — that may affect a patient's ability to keep appointments.
- **Record** the date of the last screening mammogram during the annual visit and when updating a patient's history. Specify 'mammogram completed' and include the month and year of completion. A result is not required. Patient-reported mammograms are acceptable if the date completed is documented in the appropriate field of the medical record.
- **Discuss** results or findings with the patient.
- **Document** bilateral or unilateral mastectomies. Submit the appropriate code that matches the member's medical history of a bilateral or unilateral mastectomy.
- **Send** screening appointment reminders to patients via EMR, mail, text message and/or telephone call.
- **Reach out** to patients when appointments are missed or need to be rescheduled.
- **Establish** a standing order to obtain annual mammograms for eligible populations.

Accepted:

All types of mammograms are acceptable: screening, diagnostic, film, and digital or digital breast tomosynthesis (3D mammography).

Not accepted:

The BCS-E measure evaluates preventive screening only. Biopsies, breast ultrasounds, breast thermograms, and MRIs are not acceptable.

Did you know?



- Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in the U.S., after skin cancer.
- Approximately 80% of women who develop breast cancer do not have a family history of the disease.

Source: American Cancer Society

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Please use the following codes to document history of mastectomy:

| ICD-10-CM | CPT | | | ICD-10-PCS |
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| Z90.11 | 19180 | 19240 | 19305 | OHTT0ZZ |
| Z90.12 | 19200 | 19303 | 19306 | OHTU0ZZ |
| Z90.13 | 19220 | 19304 | 19307 | OHTV0ZZ |

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| 1208601007 | 172042001 | 384723003 | 66398006 |
| 1268980002 | 172043006 | 395701007 | 70183006 |
| 1269061009 | 172046003 | 395702000 | 726429001 |
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| 14714006 | 24268003 | 429242008 | 726636007 |
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| 172039007 | 359734005 | 5884001 | |
| 172040009 | 359738008 | 60633004 | |

Additional Resources

- [National Cancer Institute](#)
- [American Cancer Society](#)