Medication Adherence for Cholesterol (Statins)

Who: Patients aged 18 years and older.

Why: One of the most important ways people with high cholesterol can manage their health is by taking medication as directed. It is important for the patient, doctor, and the health plan to work together to manage the patient’s high cholesterol.

What: Percent of members with at least two prescription fills on unique dates of service for statin medication(s) who fill their prescription often enough to cover 80% or more of the time they are supposed to be taking the medication.

How: This measure is calculated using the number of member-years of enrolled beneficiaries with a proportion of days covered (PDC) at 80% or higher for statin cholesterol medication(s) during the measurement period.

Exclusions: Hospice or ESRD

Statin Medications:
Lovastatin, simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin, or rosvastatin.