Medication Adherence for Diabetes Medications

**Who:** Patients 18 years of age and older.

**Why:** Taking medication as directed is one of the most important ways people with diabetes can manage their health. It is important for the patient, doctor, and the health plan to work together to manage the patient's diabetes.

**What:** Percent of members with at least two prescription fills on unique dates of service for diabetes medication 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 across the classes of diabetes medications during the measurement period.

**Exclusions:** Patients who take insulin are excluded. Hospice or ESRD.

**Diabetes Medications:**
Biguanides, sulfonylureas, thiazolidinediones, dipeptidyl peptidase (DPP)-IV inhibitors, incretin mimetics, meglitinides, and sodium glucose cotransporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitors.