TABLE Group B: Proposed New and Modified MIPS Specialty Measure Sets for the 2018 Performance Period and Future Years

Note: In the CY 2018 Quality Payment Program proposed rule (82 FR 30271), CMS proposed to modify the specialty measure sets below based upon review of updates made to existing quality measure specifications, the proposal of adding new measures for inclusion in MIPS, and the feedback provided by specialty societies. Existing measures with substantive changes are noted with an asterisk (*), core measures that align with Core Quality Measure Collaborative (CQMC) core measure set(s) are noted with the symbol (§), high priority measures are noted with an exclamation point (!), and high priority measures that are appropriate use measures are noted with a double exclamation point (!!) in the column.

B.1. Allergy/Immunology

Indicator	NQF #	Quality #	CMS E- Measure ID	Data Submission Method	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title And Description	Measure Steward
*	0041	110	147v7	Claims, Web Interface, Registry, EHR	Process	Communit y/ Populatio n Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza Immunization: Percentage of patients aged 6 months and older seen for a visit between October 1 and March 31 who received an influenza immunization OR who reported previous receipt of an influenza immunization.	Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement (PCPI®)
	0043	111	127v6	Claims, Web Interface, Registry, EHR	Process	Communit y/ Populatio n Health	Pneumococcal Vaccination Status for Older Adults: Percentage of patients 65 years of age and older who have ever received a pneumococcal vaccine.	National Committee for Quality Assurance
	0419	130	68v7	Claims, Registry, EHR	Process	Patient Safety	Documentation of Current Medications in the Medical Record: Percentage of visits for patients aged 18 years and older for which the eligible professional attests to documenting a list of current medications using all immediate resources available on the date of the encounter. This list must include ALL known prescriptions, over-the- counters, herbals, and vitamin/mineral/dietary (nutritional) supplements AND must contain the medications' name, dosage, frequency and route of administration.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
§	0405	160	52v6	EHR	Process	Effective Clinical Care	HIV/AIDS: Pneumocystis Jiroveci Pneumonia (PCP) Prophylaxis: Percentage of patients aged 6 weeks and older with a diagnosis of HIV/AIDS who were prescribed Pneumocystis Jiroveci Pneumonia (PCP) prophylaxis.	National Committee for Quality Assurance

B.1. Allergy/Immunology (continued)

Indicator	NQF #	Quality #	CMS E- Measure ID	Data Submission Method	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title and Description	Measure Steward
* §	0028	226	138v6	Claims, Registry, EHR, Web Interface	Process	Community / Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention: a. Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months b. Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use and identified as a tobacco user who received tobacco cessation intervention c. Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months AND who received cessation counseling intervention if identified as a tobacco user.	Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement Foundation (PCPI®)
*	0022	238	156v6	Registry, EHR	Process	Patient Safety	Use of High-Risk Medications in the Elderly: Percentage of patients 65 years of age and older who were ordered high-risk medications. Two rates are reported. a. Percentage of patients who were ordered at least one high-risk medication. b. Percentage of patients who were ordered at least two of the same high-risk medications.	National Committee for Quality Assurance
	N/A	317	22v6	Claims, Registry, EHR	Process	Community / Population Health	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented: Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older seen during the reporting period who were screened for high blood pressure AND a recommended follow-up plan is documented based on the current blood pressure (BP) reading as indicated.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

B.1. Allergy/Immunology (continued)

Indicator	NQF #	Quality #	CMS E- Measure ID	Data Submission Method	Measure Type	National Quality Strategy Domain	Measure Title and Description	Measure Steward
§ !	2082	338	N/A	Registry	Outcome	Effective Clinical Care	HIV Viral Load Suppression: The percentage of patients, regardless of age, with a diagnosis of HIV with a HIV viral load less than 200 copies/mL at last HIV viral load test during the measurement year.	Health Resources and Services Administration
	2079	340	N/A	Registry	Process	Efficiency and Cost Reduction	HIV Medical Visit Frequency: Percentage of patients, regardless of age with a diagnosis of HIV who had at least one medical visit in each 6 month period of the 24 month measurement period, with a minimum of 60 days between medical visits.	Health Resources and Services Administration
*!	N/A	374	50v6	Registry, EHR	Process	Communi cation and Care Coordinati on	Closing the Referral Loop: Receipt of Specialist Report: Percentage of patients with referrals, regardless of age, for which the referring provider receives a report from the provider to whom the patient was referred.	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
	N/A	402	N/A	Registry	Process	Communit y/ Population Health	Tobacco Use and Help with Quitting Among Adolescents: The percentage of adolescents 12 to 20 years of age with a primary care visit during the measurement year for whom tobacco use status was documented and received help with quitting if identified as a tobacco user.	National Committee for Quality Assurance

Comment: One commenter noted disappointment that the proposed rule did not include quality measures aimed at patients at greater risk of serious complications from vaccine preventable illness. For instance, patients living with chronic conditions such as heart disease and diabetes are at a significantly higher risk of complications and death from influenza and pneumonia.

Response: We appreciate the commenters concerns, but note that the MIPS specialty measures sets are developed from quality measures that currently exist in MIPS. We encourage the commenter to voice their concerns to measure stewards who may take their comments into consideration in future measure development.

Comment: One commenter was encouraged to see the immunization related process quality measure sets.

Response: We thank the commenter for their support.

FINAL ACTION: We are finalizing the Allergy/Immunology Measure Set as proposed for the 2018 Performance Period and future years.