

# Memorandum

To: Gold Coast Health Plan Primary Care Providers and OB/GYNs

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Director of Quality Improvement

Re: **HEDIS® Breast Cancer Screening Measure**

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## **New Health Effectiveness Data Information Set (HEDIS®) Measure GCHP will Report in 2017: Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)**

In 2013, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that breast cancer was the most common cancer among American women, regardless of race or ethnicity, and that mammography was the best method for detecting and treating breast cancer early.

As of this year, the Department of Health Care Services (DCHS) requires all Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans to begin reporting the Breast Cancer Screening (BCS) HEDIS® measure, which is maintained by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA).

### **Breast Cancer Screening Measurement Criteria**

- This measure evaluates the percentage of women ages 50 to 74 who had a mammogram to screen for breast cancer from October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.
- Services that will not count toward mammogram screenings include biopsies, breast ultrasounds, magnetic resonance imaging or diagnostic screenings.
- This is an administrative measure that uses only medical codes found on administrative data (claims/encounter and supplemental data) to calculate the rate of mammograms. These medical codes include:

#### ***Codes to Identify Screening Mammograms***

ICD-9-PCS Procedure Codes*	HCPCS	CPT
87.36 87.37	G0202	77055 77056 77057

- Members excluded from this measure are:
  - Women with bilateral mastectomies or left and right unilateral mastectomies;
  - Women in hospice.

**Codes to Identify Mastectomy to Exclude Members from the BCS Measure**

ICD-9-PCS Procedure Codes*	ICD-10-PCS Procedure Codes	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes	CPT	CPT Modifier
85.41	0HTT0ZZ	Z90.11	09950	-50
85.42	0HTU0ZZ	Z90.12	19180	-RT
85.43	0HTV0ZZ	Z90.13	19200	-LT
85.44			19220	
85.45			19240	
85.46			19303	
85.47			19304	
85.48			19305	
			19307	

\* ICD-9-PCS codes will be used to evaluate services for the 2017 reporting year since the period for this measure goes back to October 1, 2014.

**To ensure your clinic scores high on the BCS measure in 2017:**

- Schedule mammogram screenings for your female patients ages 50 to 74 who have not had a mammogram screening since October 1, 2014.
- Encourage testing and educate your patients on the importance of early detection.
- Document and code screening mammograms on claims/encounter data.
- Document and code mastectomies (bilateral or unilateral) on claims/encounter data.
- Submit all claims/encounter data in a timely manner.

If you have any questions, please contact the Quality Improvement Department at 1-805-437-5592 or [hedis@goldchp.org](mailto:hedis@goldchp.org).

**Thank you for your commitment to improving the health of GCHP's members.**