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## HbA1C Control for Patients with Diabetes HEDIS Tip Sheet

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**Line of Business:** Commercial, Medicaid, Medicare

**Data Collection Method:**

**Administrative (Claims)**  
**Hybrid (HEDIS Chart Chase)**  
**Supplemental Data Submissions**

### Measure Description

The percentage of members 18–75 years of age with diabetes (types 1 and 2) whose most recent hemoglobin A1c [HbA1c] was at the following levels during the measurement year.

- Good Control: HbA1c <8.0%.
- Poor Control: HbA1c >9.0%.

### Numerator Compliance

Good Control: HbA1c <8%	<p>Identify the most recent HbA1c during the measurement year.</p> <p>The member is designated as “good control” if the most recent HbA1c has a result of &lt;8.0%. The member is noncompliant if the result of the most recent HbA1c is ≥8.0% or is missing a result, or if a hemoglobin A1c was not done during the measurement year.</p>
Poor Control: HbA1c >9%	<p>Identify the most recent HbA1c during the measurement year.</p> <p>The member is designated as “poor control” if the most recent HbA1c has a result of &gt;9.0% or is missing a result, or if a HbA1c was not done during the measurement year.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> A lower rate indicates better performance for this indicator (i.e., low rates of HbA1C &gt;9.0% indicate better care).</p>

### Best Practices

- Ensure documentation in the medical record includes the date when the HbA1c was performed, and the result
- Ensure point of care measurements are properly documented and submitted for claims reimbursements
- Build gap in care alerts or flags in EMR to notify need for Hemoglobin A1c
- Discuss lab results with patients, coordinate care with patients' other providers
- Educate members on importance of controlling diabetes, lifestyle, medication adherence.
- Coordinate care with patients' and other providers

### Quality Value Set Coding Tips

HbA1c Lab Test	<p>CPT: 83036, 83037</p> <p>LOINC: 4548-4, 4549-2, 17856-6, 96595-4, 17855-8</p>
HbA1c Test Result or Finding	<p>CPT II:</p> <p>Hemoglobin A1c level less than 7.0%: <b>3044F</b></p> <p>Hemoglobin A1c level greater than or equal to 7.0% and less than 8.0%: <b>3051F</b></p> <p>Hemoglobin A1c level greater than or equal to 8.0% and less than or equal to 9.0%: <b>3052F</b></p> <p>Hemoglobin A1c level greater than 9.0%: <b>3046F</b></p>

