

Health Home Utilization Measure Descriptions, 2013-2015

Below is a description of each measure included in the 2013-2015 Health Home Utilization Measure file. Please review each measure description carefully.

Rotation of Measures

Some measures require more resource intensive methods of collection, and these measures are often rotated to control collection burden.

Measure Descriptions

For more information on the technical specifications see NCQA website (www.NCQA.org).

Outpatient Utilization

This measure summarizes the utilization of ambulatory care in the following categories.

- Emergency Room Visits

Inpatient Utilization

This measure summarizes the utilization of acute inpatient care and services in the following categories.

- The total of Medicine, Maternity and Surgery services

Mental Utilization

This measure summarizes the utilization of mental health services in the following categories.

- The total of outpatient/emergency room and inpatient services.

Identification of Alcohol and Other Drug Services

This measure summarizes the utilization of alcohol and other drug (AOD) claims in the following chemical dependency services.

- The total of outpatient/emergency room and inpatient services.

Nursing Facility Utilization

This measure summarizes the number of admissions to a nursing home (NH) from the community that result in a short-term stay during the measurement period, per 1,000 Health Home enrollee months.