2018 Uniform Data System (UDS) Reporting Changes for Reports Due February 15, 2019

May 10, 2018, 1:00–2:30 p.m. (EDT)
Objectives of this Webinar

- To provide an overview of the changes for calendar year 2018 UDS data collection and reporting activities (to be reported Feb. 2019)
  - Revisions to existing electronic-specified clinical quality measures (eCQMs)
  - Retire reporting from the UDS of HbA1c<8% for the Diabetes: Hemoglobin A1c Poor Control eCQM
  - Retire reporting of patient-centered medical home (PCMH) recognition to the UDS
  - Expansion of telehealth questions
- To provide insight to possible future changes
Agenda

• Calendar year 2018 UDS changes
• Revisions under consideration for 2019 UDS and beyond
  • Changes to data elements
  • UDS modernization
• Available technical assistance resources and references
Calendar Year 2018 Changes
Communication of UDS Reporting Changes

• The 2018 UDS changes were:
  • Included in the Program Assistance Letter (PAL) 2017-08 on December 26, 2017
  • Announced in the BPHC Primary Health Care Digest
  • Introduced at the 2017–2018 UDS trainings held around the country

• These changes will be highlighted in UDS in-person trainings conducted in conjunction with state primary care associations (PCAs) from November 2018 through January 2019.
Effective Dates

• Changes impact UDS reports of in-scope activities in 2018 and are:
  • Effective January 1, 2018
  • Due on February 15, 2019

• Be prepared to:
  • Configure systems need to be configured to capture updated criteria.
  • Work with vendors to ensure systems have been updated with required specifications.
    ✓ Test your data to ensure vendors upgrade work properly.
  • Educate affected staff regarding the changes.
Details of 2018 UDS Changes
Clinical Measure Alignment

• HRSA will continue to align UDS eCQMs with those used by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), as well as:
  • Monitor four other clinical quality measures of interest that do not currently have corresponding eCQMs
    • Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Lipid Therapy
    • HIV Linkage to Care
    • Early Entry to Prenatal Care
    • Low Birth Weight
Clinical Measure Alignment continued

• Some minor changes will continue to be made to tie measures to the Health Center Program operations, goals, and objectives

• Most measure criteria will remain the same for 2018
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CQMs

• The use of the May 2017 eCQMs for eligible professionals is required for calendar year 2018 reporting.
  • *Note: Each year these measures are updated for the following year. Do not use the ones that come out in 2018.*
  • *The specifications that come out in 2018 will be used for 2019 reporting*

• The following CQMs do not have corresponding eCQMs:
  • Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Lipid Therapy
  • HIV Linkage to Care
  • Early Entry to Prenatal Care
  • Low Birth Weight
Major Changes for 2018: Exclusion Added to Several Measures

• Patients in hospice care are excluded from the denominator for:
  • Childhood Immunization
  • Cervical Cancer Screening
  • Weight for Children and Adolescents
  • IVD
  • Colorectal Cancer Screening
  • Hypertension
  • Diabetes
Exclusion Notes

Please note:

• The hospice patient exclusion will rarely occur in health centers.

• Urgent care patients are not automatically excluded.
  • Health centers may operate in-scope clinics or sites that provide urgent care services and treat community residents for acute care.
  • Include these patients in all clinical measures unless they are excluded under the direction of the measure specifications outlined by the eCQM.
Major Changes for 2018:
Weight for Children and Adolescents

Universe changed

**Added:** Must take place at an outpatient visit

Exclusions changed

**Added:** Now excludes patients in hospice care

Numerator is unchanged
Major Changes for 2018: Adult BMI Screening and Follow-Up

Universe is unchanged

Exclusions are unchanged

Numerator changed

**Changed:** BMI and counseling are appropriate, must occur during the most recent visit or during the previous twelve months (changed from six months to twelve months)
Major Changes for 2018: Colorectal Cancer Screening

Universe is unchanged

Exclusions changed

**Added:** Now excludes patients in hospice care

Numerator changed

**Added:**
- Fecal immunochemical test (FIT)-deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) test during the measurement period or the prior two years (e.g. Cologuard)
- Computerized tomography (CT) colonography during the measurement period or the four years prior to the measurement period
Major Changes for 2018: Diabetes

Universe is unchanged

Exclusions changed

Added: Now excludes patients in hospice care

Numerator changed

Changed:

- HbA1c < 8% is no longer reported in the UDS
- Only report patients with uncontrolled diabetes defined as having HbA1c > 9% or no test during year
Measures with No Changes

• Early Entry to Prenatal Care
• Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention
• Use of Appropriate Medications for Asthma
• Coronary Artery Disease (CAD): Lipid Therapy
• HIV Linkage to Care
• Screening for Depression and Follow-Up Plan
• Dental Sealants for Children between 6–9 Years
• Low Birth Weight
Appendix D: Health Center Health Information Technology (HIT) Capabilities

- PCMH questions retired from UDS
  - Received/retained PCMH recognition or certification
  - Received accreditation
Appendix E: Other Data Elements

Expanded telehealth questions

• Questions have been added to better capture data on telehealth use, modalities, and potential obstacles to implementation
  • Use of telehealth
    • Who does the health center communicate with using telehealth?
    • What are the primary services provided?
    • What are the reasons for not having telehealth services?
Proposed 2019 UDS Changes
Proposed 2019 Changes

• Report on mental health and substance use disorder services by a broader set of providers

• Report count of interns and residents

• Add eCQM for care coordination
  • Closing the Referral Loop: Receipt of Specialist Report (CMS50v6)

• Replace CAD lipid therapy measure eCQM
  • Statin Therapy for the Prevention and Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease (CMS347v1)
Proposed 2019 Changes – 2

• Determine range of health professional workforce training capacity
• Introduce health information exchange questions to HIT form, Appendix D
• Inquire if health centers conduct staff-satisfaction surveys
• Capture telemedicine virtual visits in Table 5
• Retire Table 5A: Tenure for Health Center Staff
UDS Modernization
Overview: UDS Modernization Initiative

• UDS Submission Process
  • Automate data submission to relieve reporting burden.
  • Promote transparency and integrate stakeholder feedback.

• UDS Content
  • Ensure UDS reflects improvements in patient-centered care and an evolving primary health care setting.
Overview: UDS Modernization Impact

**Impact**

- Reduces reporting burden through a standardized UDS submission process – 88% reduction in report submission time in our piloted programs.
- Improves UDS data quality to increase its utility as an administrative data source.
- Promotes improvements in patient-centered care.
- Increases efficiency, timeliness, and transparency of the UDS reporting business processes.
UDS Governance Process

• Enables stakeholders to share feedback and innovative ideas, in addition to the traditional Federal Register Notice process

• Consists of decisions and actions to modify the UDS, such as measure selection, information technology enhancements, and reporting process improvements

• Participate in UDS governance by submitting questions and feedback via the web form on the UDS Modernization landing page
UDS Modernization Initiative Next Steps

• Spring 2018
  • Pilot five eCQMs.
  • Pilot three transformational concepts.
  • Streamlining the extraction of countable visits
  • Expanding reporting beyond face-to-face visits
  • Enhancing data granularity with patient-level data

• Summer 2018
  • Pilot enhanced offline data collection and validation capability.

• Fall 2018
  • Introduce a standardized file for easy upload of the final UDS report, including offline data collection and validation.
UDS-Related Resources
Assistance Available

- BPHC health center data and reporting resources
  - [https://bphc.hrsa.gov/datarpt/reporting/index.html](https://bphc.hrsa.gov/datarpt/reporting/index.html)

- UDS Modernization Initiative
  - [https://bphc.hrsa.gov/datarpt/reporting/udsmodernization.html](https://bphc.hrsa.gov/datarpt/reporting/udsmodernization.html)

- UDS Support Center
  - Assistance with UDS reporting questions
  - 866-UDS-HELP (866-837-4357)
  - udshelp330@bphcdata.net

- HRSA Call Center
  - Assistance with Electronic Handbooks (EHB) account and user access questions
  - 877-Go4-HRSA (877-464-4772)
  - [http://www.hrsa.gov/about/contact/ehbhelp.aspx](http://www.hrsa.gov/about/contact/ehbhelp.aspx)

- BPHC Helpline
  - Assistance with EHB electronic reporting issues
  - 877-974-BPHC (877-974-2742)
  - [http://www.hrsa.gov/about/contact/bphc.aspx](http://www.hrsa.gov/about/contact/bphc.aspx)

- UDS Mapper
  - Assistance with the online service area mapping tool
  - [http://www.udsmapper.org/contact-us.cfm](http://www.udsmapper.org/contact-us.cfm)
## Crosswalk of UDS CQMs

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Performance Measures References

- eCQI Resource Center
- Clinical Quality Measures
- United States Health Information Knowledgebase (USHIK)
- U.S. Preventive Services Task Force
- National Quality Forum
- Healthy People 2020
- Adjusted Quartile Ranking
- Million Hearts Hypertension Control Change Package
- CDC National Center for Health Statistics State Facts
Questions?
Thank you!

Thank you for attending this webinar and for all your hard work providing comprehensive and accurate data to BPHC!

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