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Missing Value Sets in Tobacco Use Measure

For the 2024 performance year, the Tobacco Use Screening and Cessation measure ([CMS138v12](#)) denominator age changed from patients aged 18 or older to those aged 12 or older, as indicated in the [Uniform Data System \(UDS\) 2024 Manual](#) and on the [eCQI Resource Center](#). The value sets "Preventive Care Services, Initial Office Visit, 0 to 17" and "Preventive Care, Established Office Visit, 0 to 17" were [inadvertently excluded](#) from the measure.

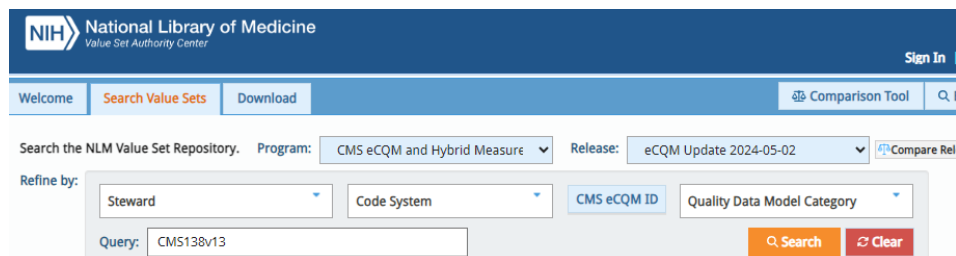
Recommendations

When value sets are missing from eCQM measure specifications, CMS allows clinically equivalent codes to be used instead of those missing value sets. The alignment between HRSA UDS and CMS reporting requirements reflects a concerted effort to streamline data collection, enhance data quality, and support quality improvement in Health Centers. By aligning clinical quality measures, data standards, reporting processes, and performance incentives, HRSA aims to reduce the reporting burden on healthcare providers, improve the consistency and comparability of data, and ultimately enhance patient care outcomes across federally funded health programs.

Health Centers should continue to use CMS138v12 to report for the 2024 UDS performance period. Health Centers are encouraged to work with their Health Information Technology (Health IT) developers and clinical partners, as appropriate, to map the missing value sets. HRSA and CMS cannot provide specific guidance related to the mapping of codes. If mapping does occur, Health Centers should maintain documentation of such mapping in the event of a CMS audit.

Health Centers and Health IT developers have the following option to access clinically equivalent codes:

1. Access CMS138v13 value sets in the [Value Set Authority Center \(nih.gov\)](#) by navigating to the Search Value Sets tab, changing the program to 'CMS eCQM and Hybrid Measures' changing the release to "eCQM Update 2024-05-02" and entering "CMS138v13" in the Query box before clicking the Search button:



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2. Scroll down to view these specific missing value sets. Click on the value set OID number to view the included codes or download these codes by clicking the Download icon at the bottom left and apply these to the CMS183v12 measure:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Preventive Care Services, Initial Office Visit, 0 to 17	CPT	Grouping	NCQA	2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1022	Active	4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Preventive Care, Established Office Visit, 0 to 17	CPT	Grouping	NCQA	2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1024	Active	4

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Additional Information

- Please see the UDS 2024 Manual for more details on this measure.
- As of the date of this publication, CMS has not yet named CMS183v13 as a required measure in MIPS.
 - NQF has not yet endorsed CMS138v13 as the CMS consensus-based entity.