



Story Behind the Curve

This process measure evaluates whether Medicaid beneficiaries 5-64 years of age with persistent asthma are being prescribed medications acceptable as primary therapy for long-term asthma control. The list of acceptable medications for this measure are derived from the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute's National Asthma Education and Prevention Program (NAEPP) guidelines.

Asthma is the most common chronic childhood disease, affecting an estimated 5 million children. Overall, approximately 20 million people in the U.S have asthma. Nationally, people with asthma have more than 100 million days of restricted activity and 5,000 deaths annually. Much of the death and morbidity associated with asthma is avoidable. Successful management of asthma can be achieved for most asthmatics if they take medications that provide long-term control.

Actions

Name	Assigned To	Status	Due Date	Progress

File Attachments

File Name