

Immunizations for Adolescents (IMA-E)

New for 2025

Added

- Pentavalent meningococcal vaccine was added to the meningococcal gap closure criteria

Updated

- IMA will only be referred to as IMA-E and will be an electronic measure only
- Expanded meningococcal age range



Yes!

Supplemental
Data Accepted

Definition

Percentage of adolescents age 13 who had 1 dose of meningococcal vaccine, 1 tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine, and at least 2 doses of human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine by their 13th birthday.

Plans(s) affected	Quality program(s) affected	Collection and reporting method
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial • Exchange/Marketplace • Medicaid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMS Quality Rating System • NCQA Health Plan Ratings (Combination 2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronic data only

Codes

The following codes can be used to close HEDIS numerator gaps in care; they are not intended to be a directive of your billing practice.

HPV vaccine

Number of doses: 2

Special circumstances

- Dose must be administered on or between the ninth and 13th birthdays
- There must be at least 146 days between the first and second dose of HPV vaccine
- If 3 HPV vaccines were given, they must be on different dates of service
- If applicable, anaphylaxis due to vaccine and the date it occurred must be documented in the medical record to count toward the numerator using the hybrid specifications

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HPV Vaccine

Number of doses: 2

Special Circumstances

- Dose must be administered on or between the ninth and 13th birthdays.
- There must be at least 146 days between the first and second dose of HPV vaccine.
- If 3 HPV vaccines were given, they must be on different dates of service.
- If applicable, anaphylaxis due to vaccine and the date it occurred must be documented in the medical record to count toward the numerator using the hybrid specifications.

CPT®/CPT II	90649, 90650, 90651
CVX codes	62, 118, 137, 165
SNOMED	428741008, 428931000, 429396009, 717953009, 724332002, 734152003, 761841000, 1209198003

Anaphylaxis due to the human papillomavirus vaccine on or before the child's 13th birthday

SNOMED	428241000124101
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Meningococcal conjugate vaccine

Number of doses: 1

Special circumstances

- Dose must be administered on or between the 10th and 13th birthdays.
- If applicable, anaphylaxis due to vaccine and the date it occurred must be documented in the medical record to count toward the numerator using the hybrid specifications.

CPT®/CPT II	90619, 90623, 90733, 90734
CVX codes	32, 108, 114, 136, 147, 167, 203, 316
SNOMED	871874000, 428271000124109, 16298691000119102

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Anaphylaxis due to the meningococcal vaccine on or before the child's 13th birthday

SNOMED	428301000124106
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Tdap vaccine

Number of doses: 1

Special circumstances

- Dose must be administered on or between the 10th and 13th birthdays
- If applicable, encephalitis or anaphylaxis due to the vaccine and the date it occurred must be documented in the medical record to count toward the numerator using the hybrid specifications

CPT®/CPT II	90715
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CVX codes	115
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SNOMED	390846000, 412755006, 412756007, 412757003, 571571000119105, 428251000124104
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Anaphylaxis due to tetanus, diphtheria or pertussis vaccine on or before the child's 13th birthday

SNOMED	428281000124107, 428291000124105
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Encephalitis due to the tetanus, diphtheria or pertussis vaccine on or before the child's 13th birthday

SNOMED	192710009, 192711008, 192712001
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Required exclusion(s)

Exclusion	Time frame
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members in hospice or using hospice services Members who died 	Any time during the measurement year



Important notes

Medical record detail including, but not limited to

A member's medical record must include:

- A note with the name of the specific antigen and the date the vaccine was administered
- An immunization record from an authorized health care provider or agency - for example, a registry - including the name of the specific antigen and the date the vaccine was administered

For meningococcal conjugate, meningococcal recombinant - serogroup B (MenB) - will **not** meet compliance.

Documentation that a member is up to date with all immunizations, but doesn't include a list of the immunizations and dates they were administered, will **not** meet compliance.

Documentation of physician orders, CPT codes or billing charges will **not** meet compliance.

For documented history of anaphylaxis or encephalitis, there must be a note indicating the date of the event, which must have occurred by the member's 13th birthday.

- History and physical
- Immunization record
- Lab results
- Problem list
- Progress notes

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Tips and best practices to help close this care opportunity:

- **Please check your Patient Care Opportunity Report (PCOR) or Practice Assist often to see members with open care opportunities.**

If you have questions, your UnitedHealthcare representative can help.

- Parental refusal of vaccinations will not remove an eligible member from the denominator
- When possible, please review vaccine status with parents and give immunizations at visits other than only well-child appointments
 - Consider using standing orders, protocols and resources from [immunize.org](https://www.immunize.org)
 - Consider offering online appointment scheduling
 - Help ensure safety by dedicating specific rooms for child immunizations only
 - Offer options such as extended hours in the evening, weekend appointments, walk-in vaccination clinics or block scheduling for families to help accommodate working parents/caregivers and school hours to alleviate the burden of managing multiple appointments and competing time commitments
 - Consider setting up a drive-up immunization site
 - Schedule appointments for your patient's next vaccination before they leave your office
 - Remind parents of the importance of keeping immunizations on track
 - Use phone calls, emails, texts or postcards letters to help keep parents engaged
 - Partner with your UnitedHealthcare representative to see if there are options to assist those families who frequently have to cancel due to transportation issues or other barriers to care, social determinants of health, etc.
- If applicable, please consider participating in your state's immunization registry
- If parents have questions about immunizations, information is available at [Vaccinate with Confidence | CDC](#) or your state's public health department website. The American Academy of Pediatrics immunization schedule can be found at [aap.org](https://www.aap.org).
- The American Cancer Society offers information about the HPV vaccine to help prevent cervical cancer at [cancer.org](https://www.cancer.org)
- Immunizations can be accepted as supplemental data, reducing the need for some chart review. Please contact your UnitedHealthcare representative to discuss clinical data exchange opportunities.
- Sharing member demographic data is critical to understanding the cultural, linguistic and social needs of those we serve and decreasing health inequities across the care continuum. This data can include, but is not limited to, race, ethnicity, language, sexual orientation, gender identity, pronouns, sex assigned at birth and disability status.
 - As part of the UnitedHealthcare clinical structured data exchange program, we encourage you to include this demographic data with any structured data file or CCD. Your information is confidential. UnitedHealthcare will keep personally identifiable information confidential and won't disclose any information without your written consent.