

HEDIS QUICK TIPS

For Primary Care Providers, Family Practitioners and Internists

Dear Provider,

The following is a tip sheet applicable to your Absolute Total Care (ATC) patients.

WHAT IS HEDIS (Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set)?

According to the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA), HEDIS is a tool used by more than 90% of America's health plans to measure performance on important dimensions of care and service. Because so many health plans collect HEDIS data and because the measures are so specifically defined, HEDIS makes it possible to compare the performance of health plans on an "apples-to-apples" basis. ATC uses these performance measure rates to drive improvements in our quality of care and service.

On an annual basis, Consumer Reports and U.S. News & World Report publish Health Plan Rankings that include the performance of ATC.

The following HEDIS measure specification applies to Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Adults with Acute Bronchitis (**AAB**)

- Adults 18-64 years of age with a diagnosis of acute Bronchitis who were not dispensed an antibiotic prescription.

What is being measured?

- The percentage of adults with acute bronchitis who were not given an antibiotic.
Please note a **higher** rate is better!

If you have any questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative or Provider Services at 1-866-433-6041 from 8:00am–6:00pm, Monday-Friday.

As always we thank you for the care that you provide to our members.

Sincerely,
Absolute Total Care

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