Primary Open Angle Glaucoma

Optic Nerve Evaluation

This measure is to be reported for all patients aged 18 years and older with primary open angle glaucoma (POAG) (in either one or both eyes) — a minimum of **once** per reporting period. It is anticipated that clinicians who provide the primary management of patients with primary open-angle glaucoma (in either or both eyes) will submit this measure.

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of POAG who have an optic nerve head evaluation during one or more office visits within 12 months

What will you need to report for each patient with POAG for this measure?

If you select this measure for reporting, you will report:

■ Whether or not you performed an optic nerve head evaluation

What if this process or outcome of care is not appropriate for your patient?

There may be times when it is not appropriate to perform an optic nerve head evaluation, due to:

■ Medical reasons (eg, not indicated, contraindicated, other medical reason)

In these cases, you will need to indicate that the medical reason applies, and specify the reason on the worksheet and in the medical chart. The office/billing staff will then report a code with a modifier that represents these valid reasons (also called exclusions).