Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)

Influenza Immunization

This measure is to be reported a minimum of **once** for visits occurring between January 1, 2011 and February 28, 2011 for the 2010–2011 influenza season AND a minimum of **once** for visits occurring between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011 for the 2011–2012 influenza season for CKD patients seen during the reporting period. This measure is intended to determine whether or not CKD patients received an influenza immunization during the flu season. It is anticipated that clinicians providing care for patients with CKD will submit this measure.

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of advanced CKD (stage 4 or 5, not receiving Renal Replacement Therapy [RRT]) who were seen for a visit between October 1 and February 28 who received the influenza immunization during the visit OR patient reported previous receipt¹ of an influenza immunization

What will you need to report for each patient with advanced CKD (stage 4 or 5, not receiving RRT) for this measure?

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

■ Whether or not you ordered or administered the influenza immunization during the flu season (September through February)

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

There may be times when it is not appropriate to order or administer the influenza immunization during the flu season, due to:

 Documented reasons (eg, patient allergy, patient declined, vaccine not available)

In these cases, you will need to indicate which 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).

¹Previous receipt may include receipt of influenza immunization from another provider OR receipt of influenza immunization from same provider during a visit prior to October 1.