

Oral Antiplatelet Therapy Prescribed for Patients with Coronary Artery Disease

*This measure is to be reported for all patients aged 18 years and older with coronary artery disease — a minimum of **once** per reporting period.*

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of coronary artery disease who were prescribed¹ oral antiplatelet therapy²

What will you need to report for each patient with coronary artery disease for this measure?

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

- Whether or not you prescribed¹ oral antiplatelet therapy² (consists of aspirin, clopidogrel, or combination of aspirin and extended release dipyridamole)

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

There may be times when it is not appropriate to prescribe oral antiplatelet therapy, due to:

- Medical reasons (eg, not indicated, contraindicated, other medical reason) OR
- Patient reasons (eg, patient declined, economic, social, religious, other patient reason) OR
- System reasons (eg, resources to perform the services not available, other reason attributable to health care delivery system)

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).

¹Prescribed — May include prescription given to the patient for aspirin or clopidogrel at one or more visits in the 12 month period OR patient already taking aspirin or clopidogrel as documented in current medication list.

²Oral antiplatelet therapy consists of aspirin, clopidogrel or combination of aspirin and extended release dipyridamole.