HCV Genotype Testing Prior to Treatment

This measure is to be reported for all patients aged 18 years and older with chronic hepatitis C— a minimum of **once** per reporting period. This measure addresses a process that must occur prior to initiating antiviral treatment and should also be reported with Measure #84: RNA Testing Before Initiating Treatment.

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of chronic hepatitis C who are receiving antiviral treatment for whom HCV genotype testing was performed prior to initiation of antiviral treatment

What will you need to report for each patient with chronic hepatitis C for this measure?

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

■ Whether or not the patient is receiving antiviral treatment for hepatitis C

If the patient is receiving antiviral treatment for hepatitis C, you will then need to report:

■ Whether or not you performed HCV genotype testing prior to initiation of antiviral treatment

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

Some measures provide an opportunity for the physician or eligible health professional to document when a process or outcome of care is not appropriate for a given patient (also called performance exclusions). Because this measure is applicable to most if not all patients, there are no allowable performance exclusions.