



Children's Mercy
Health Network

Top Takeaways from the May 2024 CMHN Committee Meetings

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Updated CMHN 2024 Incentive Performance Report: Use to Inform 2024 Improvement Efforts!

[Click here](#) to review your practice's rolling year performance to inform your quality improvement efforts!

Quality Performance Period:

- Aetna: Oct '22 to Sept '23
- Blue KC: Apr '23 to Mar '24
- Cigna: Jan '23 to Dec '23

- **Engagement:** Reset for 2024. All practices at 0 Engagement Points.
- **Clinical Quality:** 6 of 25 Practices Achieving 48+ Points Out of 60 Points
- **Cost & Utilization:** 20 of 25 Practices Achieving 30 Out of 30 Points



TIP: Use the [CMHN Quality Improvement Tool Kit](#) to review and access quality improvement strategies and insights for all CMHN incentive measures!

[Click here](#) to review the 2024 CMHN Incentive Distribution Framework.

Longitudinal Care Management – New Service Launched to Support Your Patients & Families!

What is Longitudinal Care Management: Care coordination services that supports patients and families across clinicians, settings, and conditions to keep kids healthy and reduce overall costs!

Monthly High-Risk Patient Communication Initiated

Objective:

- Increase awareness of high-risk patients targeted for Longitudinal Care Management

Actions Requested:

- Review patients with upcoming scheduled appointments
- Support warm handoff referrals to Longitudinal Care Management Services

Report Distribution Timing:

- Monthly | Last Friday of the month

Important: Being On the List Simply Indicates Patient [May Be Outreached](#) for LCM Services.

Referral Reasons

- Presence of progressive, chronic, or life-threatening illness
- Need for inpatient or outpatient care
- Terminal illness
- High risk pregnancies
- Acute injury or exacerbation of a chronic illness
- Complex social factors
- Children with special health care needs
- Multiple hospitalizations or emergency room visits
- Medical equipment needs
- Coordinating complex care

LCM Referral Process & Expectations

- Centralized Longitudinal Care Management Referral form located [here](#)
- Complete the referral form and email to LCM@cmics.org or fax to 1-888-670-7260
- For urgent needs or questions regarding referrals or care management activity, please call CMICS at 888-670-7262.

[Link to Submit E-Referrals Coming Soon!](#)

For more information, please see the [Longitudinal Care Management Manual](#).

Call to Action: Lift Up KC Social Need Referrals – Community Based Organization (CBO) Screener Requirement

Please fill out the screening form when submitting a referral. CBO Funded Referral Partners utilize “Screeners” to generate more information they need to effectively work a referral. Information requested is:

- Parent/Guardian Name
- County
- What the need is (food, housing, etc.)

Metro Lutheran Ministry, our highest volume partner, has stopped working referrals that do not include a screening form. **If a screening form is not filled out, they will immediately mark the referral as “not eligible” and close the case.**

Tip Sheet for Pneumococcal Vaccination for High-Risk Patients – Learn the New Guidelines!

Developed in Collaboration with Children’s Mercy Infectious Diseases -- [Click Here to Access Tip Sheet](#)

CDC Clinical Guidelines to Administer PCV15, PCV20, and PPSV23 Vaccinations

Important: PCV15/PCV20 are considered as equivalent vaccines by the CDC/ACIP for the routine PCV immunization schedule. However, administering at least one dose of PCV20 avoids having to administer any doses of PPSV23 to high-risk patients.

Ages 2 through 5 Years Old

- History of 4 Standard/Routine PCV Vaccinations (4-Dose Series at 2, 4, 6, and 12-15 Months)
 - Previously Received at Least 1 PCV20: PPSV23 Dose is **Not Needed**
 - No Previous PCV20: 1 Dose PCV20 OR PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after last PCV dose)
- History of 3 PCV Doses
 - **Catch Up:** 1 Dose PCV (at least 8 weeks after prior PCV dose) *After Catch Up*
- History of Less than 3 PCV Doses
 - **Catch Up:** 2 Doses PCV (8 weeks after the most recent dose and administered 8 weeks apart) *After Catch Up*

Ages 6 through 18 Years Old

- No History of PCV:
 - Option 1:
 - 1 Dose PCV20
 - Option 2:
 - 1 Dose PCV15
 - 1 Dose PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after last PCV dose)
- History of Any PCV:
 - Previously Received at Least 1 PCV20: PPSV23 Dose is **Not Needed**
 - No Previous PCV20: 1 Dose PCV20 OR PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after last PCV dose)

Important References:

- PCV13 Replaced PCV7 in 2010
- PCV15 Replaced PCV13 in Sept 2023
- PCV20 Included in Standard PCV Schedule Starting in Sept 2023

Children’s Mercy specialists welcome and appreciate primary care collaboration to increase PCV15 / PCV20 / PPSV23 vaccinations for these high-risk patients. Our efforts will help to improve health outcomes!

REFRESHER: Understanding the URI Measure to Support Overall Network Performance & Improvement!

Measure Definition

The % of episodes for patients 3 months and older who were given a diagnosis of upper respiratory infection (URI) and were **NOT** dispensed an antibiotic prescription

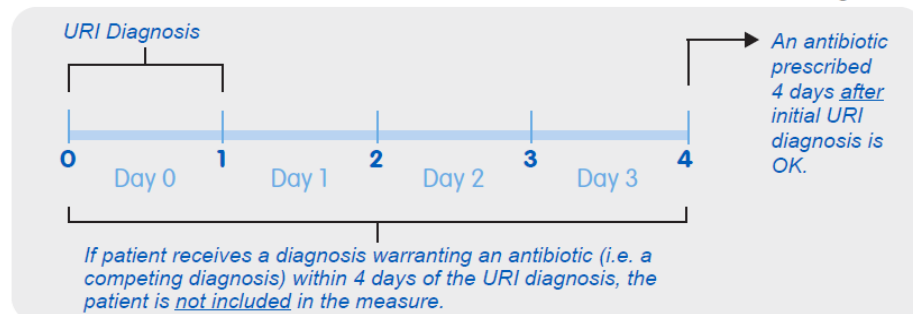
[Click to View URI Provider Quick Reference](#)

Important Insight:

If a patient is diagnosed with URI and patient needs an antibiotic, include another “competing diagnosis” to ensure antibiotic is warranted!

Common Competing Diagnoses (i.e. Diagnoses Warranting an Antibiotic)

- Suppurative Otitis Media
- Acute/Chronic Sinusitis
- Pneumonia
- Pharyngitis, Streptococcal, or Tonsillitis
- Other Bacterial Infection Diagnoses



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