Prenatal and Postpartum Care Tip Sheet

Program Description
The percentage of deliveries of live births on or between October 8th of the year prior to the measurement year and October 7th of the measurement year. For these women, the measure assesses the following facets of prenatal and postpartum care:

- Timeliness or Prenatal Care – the percentage of deliveries that received a prenatal care visit in the first trimester, on or before the enrollment start date or within 42 days of enrollment in the organization.
- Postpartum Care – the percentage of deliveries that had a postpartum visit on or between 7 and 84 days after delivery.

Eligible Population
- Commercial.

Measure Source
- Claims & Chart Review.
- 1/1 – 12/31.

Quality Specifications
Report the stratifications by each listed race and ethnicity and total:
- Race: White, Black or African American, American Indian and Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, Some other race, Two or more races, Asked but no Answer, Unknown & Total.
- Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino, Not Hispanic/Latino, Asked but no Answer, Unknown & Total.

Timeliness of Prenatal Care
- A prenatal visit during the required time frame.
- Documentation must include one of the following: a note indicating the women is pregnant or references to the pregnancy, basic physical obstetrical exam that includes fetal heart tone or pelvic exam or measurement of fundus height or evidence that a prenatal care procedure was performed.

Postpartum Care
- A postpartum visit on or between 7 and 84 days after delivery.
- Documentation of date visit occurred and specific notes containing postpartum care.

Coding and Documentation Tips
Member may be excluded from this measure if in hospice services anytime during the measurement year.

Strategies for Success
- Encourage patients to meet criteria.

If you have any questions, please contact your Provider Relations Specialist.