

**CBE ID**

0584

**Title**

Hepatitis C: Viral Load Test

**Project**

Infectious Disease Endorsement Maintenance

**Endorsement Status**

Endorsement Removed

**Is Under Review**

No

**Previous Endorsement Cycle**

Spring 2013

**Removal Date**

Mon, 01/07/2013 - 19:00

**Initial Endorsement**

Thu, 12/03/2009 - 19:00

**Steward**

Resolution Health, Inc.

**1.0 New or Maintenance**

Maintenance

**1.1 Measure Structure**

Single Measure

**1.3 Electronic Clinical Quality Measure (eCQM)**

No

**1.6 Measure Description**

This measure identifies the percentage of patients with chronic Hepatitis C (HCV) who began HCV antiviral therapy during the measurement year and had HCV Viral Load testing 6 months prior to initiation of antiviral therapy.

**1.7 Measure Type**

Process

**1.8 Level of Analysis**

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Health Plan

## **1.9 Care Setting**

Outpatient Services

### **1.14 Numerator**

Patients in the denominator who had an HCV Viral Load test 6 months prior to the initiation of antiviral therapy.

### **1.15 Denominator**

Our denominator is anyone with Hepatitis C diagnosed anytime in the past, based on historical claims on file, who have a new start of peginterferon in the last year, excluding people with documentation of a medical reason(s) for not performing quantitative HCV RNA testing within 6 months prior to initiation of treatment (CPT Category II code 3218F-1P).

## **1.20 Types of Data Sources**

Claims Data

### **6.1.2 Current or Planned Use(s)**

Public Reporting, Quality Improvement (Internal to the specific organization), Quality Improvement with Benchmarking (external benchmarking to multiple organizations)

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## **Exclusions**

Exclude anyone with a code which states the patient has a medical reason for not having the test done.

## **Risk Adjustment**

No risk adjustment or risk stratification

## **Target Population**

Elderly

## **Steward Organization**

Resolution Health, Inc.

## **Steward POC email**

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