

July 5, 2013

«First_Name» «Last_Name», «Title»
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Re: HEDIS® Annual Monitoring for Patients on Persistent Medications (MPM)

Dear «First_Name» «Last_Name», «Title»:

The letter is a part of our continued effort to ensure that you are aware of Jai Medical Systems Managed Care Organization, Inc. quality assurance standards as they relate to HEDIS® (Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set). The information provided is intended to assist you in meeting our quality assurance standards.

The **Annual Monitoring for Patients on Persistent Medications** measure evaluates the percentage of members, 18 years and older, who received at least 180 treatment days of ambulatory medication therapy of a specific therapeutic agent during the measurement year and at least one therapeutic monitoring event for the therapeutic agent in the measurement year. Your monitoring of the following therapeutic agents will be evaluated:

- Annual Monitoring for members on angiotensin converting enzyme (**ACE**) inhibitors or angiotensin receptor blockers (**ARB**).
- Annual monitoring for members on **digoxin**.
- Annual monitoring for members on **diuretics**.
- Annual monitoring for members on **anticonvulsants**.

For annual monitoring of members on digoxin, diuretics, and anticonvulsants, the member must meet one of the following criteria to be compliant:

- A code for a lab panel test during the measurement year.
- A code for a serum potassium *and* a code for serum creatinine during the measurement year
- A code for serum potassium and a code for blood urea nitrogen during the measurement year.

Please use the following codes to identify Physiologic Monitoring Tests:

Description	CPT
Lab panel	80047, 80048, 80050, 80053, 80069
Serum potassium (K+)	80051, 84132
Serum creatine (SCr)	82565, 82575
Blood urea nitrogen (BUN)	84520, 84525

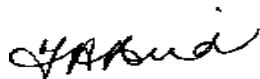
For annual monitoring of members on anticonvulsants, **please use one of the following CPT codes to identify Drug Serum Monitoring Test: 80184-80186, 80164, 80156, or 80157.**

As you already know, it is important to always code as completely and accurately as possible. It will make a positive difference in our HEDIS[®] scores if you code all diagnoses used in your decision.

Attached you will find a criteria receipt. After reviewing the standards for this measure, please sign and fax this receipt to Stephanie Scharpf at (410) 433-4615.

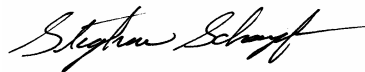
We believe that the information provided will help you understand how HEDIS[®] will be used to interpret the quality of care provided to our members. Please remember that this information has been adapted from HEDIS[®] guidelines and should not be substituted for your sound medical judgment. Thank you for your continued efforts to ensure that our members receive the highest quality of care possible. Please feel free to contact us at (410) 433-2200 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Frances Bird, M.D.
Director, Quality Assurance

Sincerely,



Stephanie Scharpf
Director, Regulatory Compliance and
Administration