

HEDIS MEASURE OVERVIEW

Chlamydia Screening in Women (CHL)

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The Chlamydia Screening in Women (CHL) measure is one of the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) HEDIS measures used to evaluate whether sexually active women are receiving a chlamydia test. In the U.S., chlamydia is the most commonly reported bacterial sexually transmitted disease. If left untreated, a chlamydia infection can cause pelvic inflammatory disease, infertility and increased risk of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) type 1.¹

Measure description

The percentage of women 16–24 years of age who were recommended for routine chlamydia screening, were identified as sexually active and had at least one test for chlamydia during the measurement year.

Who is included in the CHL measure?

Women 16–24 years of age as of Dec. 31 of the measurement year who were recommended for routine chlamydia screening and identified as sexually active.

Addressing the measure

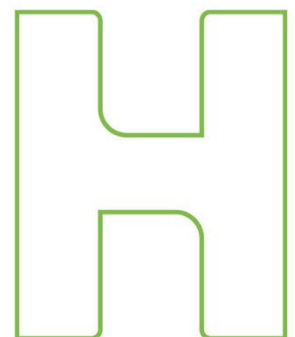
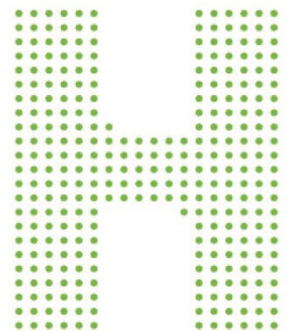
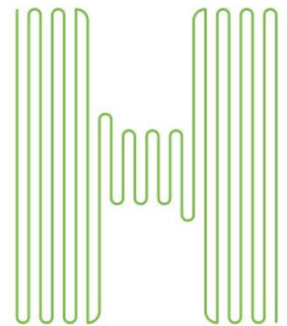
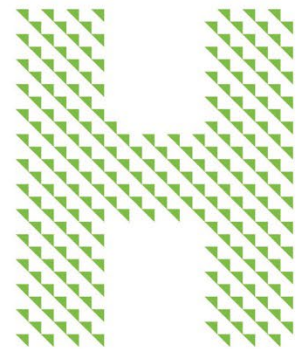
At least one chlamydia test during the measurement year.

Measure best practices

- Educate patients on the importance of safe-sex practices.
- Screen patients to identify those who are sexually active.
- Educate patients on the importance of screening for chlamydia and the dangers of leaving the infection untreated.

Exclusions

- Patients using hospice services
- Patients with a date of death
- Patients who had a pregnancy test alone **and** on the date of the test or the six days after had either of the following:
 - A prescription for isotretinoin **or**
 - An X-ray
- Patients with a sex assigned at birth of male



CHL coding

Code type	Code	Description
CPT	87110, 87270, 87320, 87490– 87492, 87810	Chlamydia test

Information regarding inclusion, compliance and exclusions for this measure were sourced from the HEDIS Measurement Year 2026: Volume 2: Technical Specifications for Health Plans report. The coding information in this document is subject to changing requirements and should not be relied on as official coding or legal advice. All coding should be considered on a case-by-case basis and supported by medical necessity and appropriate documentation in the medical record.

Coding included above is based on the NCQA Value Set, but each state's fee schedule determines which codes are reimbursed. Please consult your respective state's fee schedule for reimbursement information.

1. National Committee for Quality Assurance. (2026). *HEDIS Measurement Year 2026: Volume 1: Narrative*.

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