

# 2023 Partners in Excellence

## Executive Overview, Targets, and Methodology

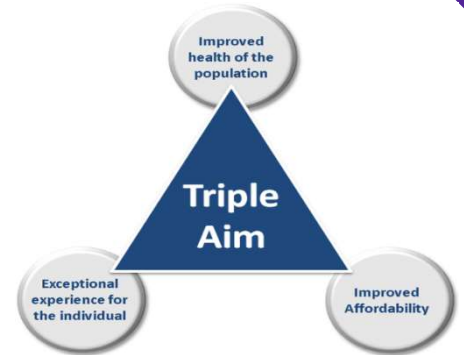
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### Overview

The Partners in Excellence program forms the basis for HealthPartners' financial and public recognition for medical or specialty groups achieving high levels of performance on the Triple Aim of exceptional clinical quality, and affordable care.

Our goal is to recognize and reward groups who deliver on the Triple Aim: To improve health while improving the affordability and quality of health care.

Financial rewards are based on medical group performance as measured by HealthPartners using Minnesota Community Measurement.



### Quality Dimensions: *Health Quality*

For the Partners in Excellence program, the focus continues to be on recognizing performance across meaningful quality dimensions of health quality. Each individual quality measure is assigned below average, average and above average based on a target performance that is then translated into a star rating for that quality measure.

Using MNMCM reported measures, 21 individual quality measures are included in the assessment (see Individual Measures above) to determine overall quality performance. Providers must have measure results for at least 30% of measures to be included in the quality assessment. Star rating based on number of measures for which a provider is eligible and performance for each measure is compared to the statewide average. The rate and 95% confidence interval (lower and upper) are used to define 'above', 'average', and 'below' ratings.

- 4 stars - ≥50% of measures statistically above average
- 3 stars - 70% of measures statistically above average or average
- 2 stars - 51% of measures statistically above average or average
- 1 star - 50% of measures statistically below average

Silver award level is available when the measures in the cluster achieve an overall four-star rating for the cluster.

Gold award level is available when an overall four-star rating is achieved and the group's Total Cost Index is less than 1.0.

Detailed results by provider are available on MNMCM's website: <https://mncm.org/reports/#community-reports>. Results for measures submitted by providers (reflecting 2022 dates of service) were shared in April 2023 with providers including performance compared to the statewide average.

Results will also be published in MNMCM's 2022 Health Care Quality Report anticipated to be released September 2023.

## Measures and Targets: Primary Care & Pediatrics

- Adolescent Depression: Follow-up PHQ-9/9M at 12 Months
- Adolescent Depression: Remission at 12 Months
- Adolescent Mental Health and/or Depression Screening
- Adult Depression: Follow-up PHQ-9/9M at 12 Months
- Adult Depression: Remission at 12 Months
- Colorectal Cancer Screening
- Optimal Asthma Control - Adults
- Optimal Asthma Control - Children
- Optimal Diabetes Care
- Optimal Vascular Care
- Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment in Acute Bronchitis/Bronchiolitis
- Breast Cancer Screening
- Cervical Cancer Screening
- Childhood Immunization Status (Combo 10)
- Chlamydia Screening in Women
- Controlling High Blood Pressure
- Diabetes Eye Exam
- Follow-up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medication
- Immunizations for Adolescents (Combo 2)
- Osteoporosis Management in Women Who Had a Fracture
- Use of Spirometry Testing in the Assessment and Diagnosis of COPD

## Specialty Measures and Targets: Obstetrics & Gynecology

- Breast Cancer Screening
- Cervical Cancer Screening
- Chlamydia Screening in Women

## Specialty Measures and Targets: Behavioral Health

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- Adolescent Depression: Remission at 12 Months
- Adolescent Mental Health and/or Depression Screening
- Adult Depression: Follow-up PHQ-9/9M at 12 Months
- Adult Depression: Remission at 12 Months

### Measure Sources:

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## BONUS POOL CALCULATIONS

Each quality cluster is assigned an individual percent of bonus pool. When the Silver target of 4 stars is met 25% of the assigned percent of bonus pool is paid out. When the Gold target, 4 star rating plus overall total cost index less than 1.0, is met then 100% of the assigned percent of bonus pool is paid out.

Quality Measures	% of Bonus Pool		Silver Level Award	Gold Level Award
			★★★★	★★★★ AND Total Cost Index < 1.0
<b>PRIMARY AND PEDIATRIC CARE</b>	Multi-specialty	Pediatrics Only		
Clinical Quality	50%	50%	25%	100%
<b>OBGYN</b>				
Clinical Quality	50%		25%	100%
<b>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</b>				
Clinical Quality	100%		25%	100%

## APPENDIX I: Frequently Asked Questions

### *When will the results be available for me to compare my performance?*

The 2023 Partners in Excellence incentive program results will be available for medical group review in July of 2023. Medical groups will receive electronic notification reports including individual measure, quality dimension, and cost assessment results in conjunction with Distinctions® product tier results.

### *Where can I find my current performance?*

Current star and cost dollar rating performance for medical and specialty groups can be found on our website under [Cost and quality ratings](#)

### *Where can I find more description and source information on the measures used in the quality clusters?*

Quality cluster measurement descriptions can be found under the following links:

- [Minnesota Community Measurement \(MNCM\)](#)

### *Whom do I call if I have more questions?*

- For general questions, please contact your HealthPartners contract manager or service specialist.
- For specific measurement questions, feel free to contact [quality@healthpartners.com](mailto:quality@healthpartners.com) or 952-883- 5777.