

DIABETES CARE Blood Sugar Controlled – Glycemic Status Assessment for Patients With Diabetes (GSD)



Why it Matters

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, diabetes is the eighth-leading cause of death in the United States. Proper diabetes care management helps prevent major complications, including heart disease, stroke, neuropathy and hard-to-treat infections.



Measure description

The measure assesses the percentage of members ages 18 through 75 with a diagnosis of diabetes (type 1 and type 2) whose HbA1c was at the following level during the measurement year:

- ▶ **Glycemic status** – HbA1c poor control (>9%)



Key tips

- ✓ Encourage patients to make healthy lifestyle changes, including a healthy diet and increased activity.

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What do you need to do?

- ✓ Routinely monitor HbA1c and regularly see members with elevated A1c levels more frequently.
- ✓ Order labs prior to members' appointments.
- ✓ Regularly monitor and review medications for effectiveness and adherence.
- ✓ Use point-of-care testing, which is acceptable with appropriate coding and documentation with date of service and value.
- ✓ Order diabetes screening tests (HbA1c, eye exam, kidney evaluation, etc.)
- ✓ Follow up with patients to discuss and educate on lab results.
- ✓ Ensure documentation in the medical record includes the date when the HbA1c was performed and the result.
- ✓ Submit claims (CPT, CPT II codes, etc.) and encounter data in a timely manner, including diagnosis codes.

The suggested codes for these services include:

Description	CPT-CAT II codes
Most recent hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) <7%	3044F
Most recent hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) >9%	3046F
Most recent hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) >=7% and <8%	3051F
Most recent hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) >=8% and <=9%	3052F

