



OPTIMIZING PATIENT HEALTH
BY IMPROVING THE QUALITY
OF MEDICATION USE

PQA Specialty Core Measure Set

*Provides standardized, endorsed, meaningful measures to demonstrate
the positive impact of specialty pharmacy services*

Treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C: Completion of Therapy

Percentage of individuals 18 years and older who initiated antiviral therapy during the measurement year for treatment of chronic hepatitis C, and who completed the minimum intended duration of therapy with no significant gap(s) in therapy

Use: Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation programs

Endorsed
May 2017

Adherence to Non-Infused Disease Modifying Agents Used to Treat Multiple Sclerosis (PDC-MS)

Percentage of patients 18 years and older who met the PDC threshold of 80% during the measurement period for medications treating multiple sclerosis

Use: Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation programs

Endorsed
Dec 2016

Adherence to Antiretrovirals (PDC-ARV)

Percentage of patients 18 years and older who met the PDC threshold of 90% during the measurement period for two or more distinct antiretroviral drugs

Use: Medicare Part D Patient Safety Reports; Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation programs

Part D Patient
Safety
Reports

Adherence to Non-Infused Biologic Medications Treating Rheumatoid Arthritis (PDC-RA)

Percentage of patients 18 years and older with rheumatoid arthritis who met the PDC threshold of 80% during the measurement period for biologic medications used to treat RA

Endorsed
May 2018