

APPROPRIATE TESTING FOR CHILDREN WITH PHARYNGITIS

Common Chart Deficiencies:

- Data for this measure is **collected from claims only**; not through medical record review.

Tips to Improve HEDIS rate:

- Ensure proper coding: both of the diagnosis associated with a visit, and of the testing done.

Members -18 years of age, who were diagnosed with pharyngitis, dispensed an antibiotic and received a group A streptococcus (strep) test for the episode.

NOTE: A higher rate represents better performance (appropriate testing).

⇒ An outpatient or ER visit with a diagnosis of only **Pharyngitis**

⇒ Prescribed an **antibiotic** (Pharmacy fill date on or during the 3 days after the visit).

⇒ A group A streptococcus (**strep**) **test** in the 7 day period from 3 days prior to, through 3 days after ,the prescription date.

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Administrative Codes associated with this measure

ICD-10 Codes:

Pharyngitis: J02.0; J02.8- J02.9; J03.00-J03.01; J03.80- J03.81; J03.90; J03.91

CPT Codes

Group A strep test: 87070; 87071; 87081; 87430; 87650-87652; 87880

***NOTE:** This is not a comprehensive list.