



FOLLOW-UP CARE FOR CHILDREN TAKING ADHD MEDICATION

Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) is the most common neurobehavioral childhood disorder. Patient response to ADHD medication can vary. That is why it's critical for timely follow-up visits with patients newly prescribed ADHD medication.

What is the quality measure?

This measure concerns patients ages 6 to 12 who are taking outpatient medication for ADHD. Schedule **no fewer than three follow-up visits within 10 months** according to the following guidelines.

- ✚ Schedule a follow-up visit with a practitioner that has **prescribing authority** for your patients taking ADHD medication within 30 days of their initial prescription, and
- ✚ Schedule two additional visits within nine months following their initial follow-up visit (one may be conducted via telephone).

What can you do to improve this quality measure?

1. Discuss the importance of follow-up visits with parents during the initial visit.
2. Utilize the ADHD Tearaway pad to schedule out your patient's follow-up visits during their initial visit. **The first 30-day follow-up appointment must be conducted with a practitioner with prescribing authority.**
3. If you don't have ADHD Tearaway pads, document follow-up dates on a medication instruction sheet.
4. Offer reminder calls, postcards, and other material before the next visit.
5. Allow enough time to meet with each of your patients, and be prepared to answer questions from parents about their child's newly prescribed medications.
6. Before prescribing any ADHD medication, explore other treatments to address the child's behavior to avoid over-prescribing ADHD medication.

COMMONLY PRESCRIBED ADHD MEDICATIONS:

CNS stimulants:

Amphetamine
Demethylphenidate
Dextroamphetamine
Lisdexamfetamine
Methamphetamine
Methylphenidate

Alpha-2 receptor agonists:

Clonidine
Guanfacine

Miscellaneous

ADHD medications:

Atomoxetine

ADD STAND-ALONE VISIT

90807-90815, 96150-96154,
98960-98962, 99089,
99201-99205, 99211-99215,
99217-99220, 99241-99245,
99341-99345, 99347-99350,
99381-99384, 99391-99394,
99401-99404, 99411-99412, 99510

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**MUST BE FILED IN
CONJUNCTION WITH
ADD POS GROUP 1**

ADD Visit Group 1: 90791-90792,
90801-90802, 90816-90819,
90821-90824, 90826-90829,
90832-90834, 90836-90840, 90845,
90847, 90849, 90853, 90857, 90862,
90875-90876

ADD Visit Group 2: 99221-99223,
99231-99233, 99238-99239,
99251-99255

ADD POS GROUP 1

11-Office, 12-Home, 13-Assisted
Living Facility, 14-Group Home,
15-Mobile Unit, 20-Urgent Care
Facility, 22-Outpatient Hospital,
3-School, 33-Custodial Care
Facility, 49-Independent Clinic,
5-Indian Health Service Free-
standing Facility, 50-Federally
Qualified Health Center,
52-Psychiatric Facility-Partial
Hospitalization, 53-Community
Mental Health Center, 7-Tribal,
638-Free-standing Facility,
71-Public Health Clinic, 72-Rural
Health Clinic, 9-Prison/
Correctional Facility

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ADD POS GROUP 2**

ADD Visit Group 2: 99221-99223,
99231-99233, 99238-99239,
99251-99255

ADD POS GROUP 2

52-Psychiatric Facility-Partial
Hospitalization, 53-Community
Mental Health Center

Telephone Visit: 98966-98968,
99441-99443 (One of two visits
required for Continuation and
Maintenance Phase may be
conducted via telephone)