

Provider Bulletin

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Childhood Immunization Status (CIS)



Importance of the CIS measure

This measure evaluates whether children receive all recommended vaccines by age 2. Timely immunizations protect against serious illnesses like measles, mumps, polio, hepatitis B, and whooping cough. Providers play a critical role in preventing vaccine-preventable diseases through early education, documentation, and scheduling.

This bulletin offers information on any measure changes, best practice suggestions, links to codes and free resources.



Measure requirements

Children who turn 2 years old during the measurement year must receive all recommended vaccines by their second birthday. This includes 4 DTaP, 3 IPV, 3 Hep B, 1 MMR, 1 VZV, 3 HiB, 4 PCV, 1 Hep A, 2–3 Rotavirus (depending on series), and 2 Influenza doses (if administered on or after the 2nd birthday).

For more detailed measure info, go to [MC Gap Closure Reference Guide](#)



Coding information

Use appropriate CPT/CVX codes for each vaccine (e.g., DTaP, IPV, MMR, Hep B, VZV, PCV, HiB). Ensure historical vaccinations are clearly documented in the electronic medical record (EMR). Accurate coding enables electronic gap closure.

For up-to-date, measure specific codes to use, go to [MC Gap Closure Reference Guide](#)



Common reasons for Gaps in Care

- Missed well-child visits
- Parental vaccine concerns or refusal
- Vaccines not co-administered
- Incomplete charting or failure to capture past vaccine data
- EMR not updated with external records

For members assigned but choosing not to establish care, go to

[MC PCP Change Request Form](#)



Member education

- Educate parents about the full vaccine schedule early, ideally starting at birth and continuing during all well-child visits.
- Reassure caregivers that vaccines are safe and necessary to protect their child and others in the community.



Great resources

[Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule by Age \(Addendum updated August 7, 2025\) | Vaccines & Immunizations | CDC](#)

[Vaccines by Age | Vaccines & Immunizations | CDC](#)



Best Practices

Tips to improve results

- Use EMR alerts for vaccine due dates.
- Administer vaccines at sick visits when safe.
- Bundle vaccine administration during well visits.
- Implement standing orders for vaccine admin.
- Send reminders to parents before and after missed visits.
- Provide easy-to-understand vaccine education in multiple languages.

**Thank you for the care you provide
to our members**