



# Pennsylvania Performance Measures

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**Prenatal Screening for Smoking and Treatment Discussion  
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# The PSS Measure

The PSS measure assesses the percentage of members who were:

- Screened for smoking during the time frame of one of their first two prenatal visits or during the time frame of their first two visits on or following eligibility with HPP.
- Screened for smoking in one of their first two prenatal visits and were found to smoke (i.e., smoked six months prior to or anytime during the current pregnancy), that were given counseling/advice or a referral regarding during the time frame of any prenatal visit during pregnancy.
- Screened for smoking in one of their first two prenatal visits, found to be a smoker and stopped smoking anytime during their pregnancy.
- Screened for environmental tobacco smoke exposure during the timeframe of one of their first two prenatal visits or during the time frame of their first two visits on or following eligibility with HPP.
- Screened for environmental tobacco smoke exposure in one of their first two prenatal visits and found to be exposed, that were given counseling/advice or a referral during the time frame of any prenatal visit during pregnancy.

# The PSS Measure

- Positive smoking status for this measure include the use of:
  - Vaping
  - E-cigarette use
- Marijuana use is not counted for a positive smoking status.
- Environmental tobacco smoke and secondhand smoke may be used interchangeably for this measure.

# The PSS Measure

- Medical records will be collected by Health Partners Plans for chart review. This measure is **a chart review measure**, which means that coding submitted on a claim will not be counted.
- All documentation in the medical record must be:
  - Dated
  - Signed by the practitioner (MD, DO, PA, CRNP)
- Visits may be face-to-face, e-visit or telehealth.
- The sample for this measure is all women who had a viable birth between October 8 of the year prior to the measurement year and October 7 of the measurement year.

## Examples of PSS Documentation:

- Documentation of nonsmoking include but not limited to:
  - Never Smoked
  - Smoked =  $\emptyset$
  - Smoking History – quit one year ago
- Documentation of smoking include but aren't limited to:
  - Current Smoker
  - Smoked = 1 pack/day
  - Smoking History – quit 6 months or less prior to pregnancy
- Charting by exception – check box details positive findings
- If a screening tool is used, the medical record must be submitted to support the tool used.

## Examples of PSS Documentation:

- Evidence of counseling or referral may be:
  - Documented as a discussion in the medical record. This must be dated and signed.
  - Referral to a smoke cessation program. This must be dated and signed
- Case management notes containing the needed documentation maybe used if there is accompanying visit to a perinatal health care provider.

# Use of the Obstetrical Needs Assessment Form (ONAF)

- The Obstetrical Needs Assessment Form (ONAF) is acceptable evidence that screenings and/or referrals, advice, or counseling were performed.
- The documentation must include:
  - If an ONAF is used as evidence of screening, the medical record must identify the same 1st pre-natal date as indicated in the top section of the ONAF.
  - The note for the accompanying visit must be submitted
  - N/A written across the Tobacco Information section of the ONAF is not acceptable.
- The information documented in the ONAF **must be recorded** in the medical record.



# Use of the Obstetrical Needs Assessment Form (ONAF)

The tobacco information section of the ONAF must have all check boxes populated.

- If the patient did not smoke check no for Tobacco Counseling and Tobacco Counseling Received
- If the patient was not exposed to environmental smoke check no for Counseling for Environmental Smoke

Tobacco Information							
Tobacco (Tob.) Use	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Tob. Counseling?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Tob. Counseling Received?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Exposure to Environmental Smoke?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Counseling for Environmental Smoke?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Electronic Cigarettes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NRT Offered?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Average # of Cigarettes Smoked/Day <small>(If none, enter 0; 1 pack = 20 cigarettes)</small>	Pre-Pregnancy	1st Trimester	2nd Trimester	3rd Trimester			

# How HPP Can Help

- HPP has a perinatal case management program call Baby Partners
  - <https://www.healthpartnersplans.com/providers/plan-info/baby-partners>
- The Baby Partners clinical team works with our pregnant members to provider telephonic care management during the prenatal and postpartum period.
  - Staffed by nurses and social workers
  - Can coordinate appointments for mom and newborn
  - Can assist with transportation to medical and behavioral health appointments
- You can refer your pregnant patients to Baby Partners two ways:
  - Call 215-845-4797
  - Email [ClinicalConnections@hpplans.com](mailto:ClinicalConnections@hpplans.com)

# Questions?

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