



Medication Review Crucial to Member Health Outcomes

Why are you getting this flyer?

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has released the 2018 Star Measures. **Medication Reconciliation Post-Discharge (MRP)** is now a measure for all Medicare members. The measure ensures that members who are discharged from the hospital have their medications reviewed and reconciled within 30 days of discharge.

Easy Choice supports the efforts of CMS to strengthen the level of accountability for the care provided by physicians and other providers. The changes are seen as important steps to measure the quality of care coordination post-discharge as well as ensuring member safety.

What does this mean to you?

As our partner in delivering high quality care to our members, we need your assistance and cooperation to ensure that our members are receiving the recommended services timely. The expectations for this measure include:

- Medication reconciliation conducted by a prescribing practitioner, clinical pharmacist or registered nurse within 30 days of discharge. An outpatient visit is not required, but is highly encouraged.
- Documentation of the medication reconciliation in the member's **outpatient** chart indicating:
 - **Member's discharge medications were reviewed with the current outpatient medications, or**
 - **No medications were prescribed upon discharge**
- Submit encounters to Easy Choice to capture the services above. The suggested codes for these services include:
 - CPT Code 99495-99496: Transitional Care Management Services, and
 - CPT II code 1111F: Medication Reconciliation

What do you need to do?

Please include the above information and expectations for this measure in your hospital discharge process and work with your network providers and hospitals to ensure that the member has post-hospital discharge follow-up for medication reconciliation or review.



**These actions can make a big difference to our members.
Together, we can deliver the best possible care to our members—your patients.**