



Maternity Quality Care Plus

An Incentive Program for Maternity Care Practitioners | 2023 Edition

Health Partners Plans



Health Partners Plans (HPP) appreciates the invaluable role that maternity care practitioners, including obstetricians (OB-GYNs), midwives, certified registered nurse practitioners (CRNPs) and primary care physicians (PCPs), play in improving birth outcomes.

Thank you for providing accessible, effective and efficient care to our members.

Our Maternity Quality Care Plus (MQCP) incentive program is designed to recognize and reward great performance throughout the year. This manual explains the 2023 MQCP program and highlights what you need to know to maximize your incentive payments.

This is a confidential and proprietary document for discussion solely between HPP and participating maternity care practitioners.





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What is the MQCP Program?

Maternity Quality Care Plus (MQCP) is an incentive program designed to recognize and reward the quality performance of maternity care practices serving Health Partners (Medicaid) members. The MQCP incentive program was implemented in 2016. This program incentivizes performance related to the measures under the Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS), the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services' (DHS) guidance regarding cesarean-section (C-section) rates and timely prenatal and postpartum care. Practices must meet program requirements in order to participate.

MQCP MEASURES

There are three rewards criteria that are drawn from HEDIS measures and the cesarean section (C-section) rate:

Timeliness of first prenatal visit: The percentage of deliveries that received a prenatal care visit as a Health Partners member either in the first trimester or within 42 days of enrollment in Health Partners. Providers will have the opportunity to earn a bonus payment for hitting tier 1 and tier 2 on this measure in 2023 for their African-American population.

Postpartum care: The percentage of Health Partners members that had a postpartum visit between seven and 84 days after delivery. Providers will have the opportunity to earn a bonus payment for hitting tier 1 and tier 2 on this measure in 2023 for their African American population.

Cesarean section rate: The percentage of Health Partners member deliveries in the measurement period that were cesarean sections.





Program Requirements

To qualify for a monthly incentive, the maternity care practice must have at least 15 deliveries in the reporting period and all patients must be seen by the practice for at least 75 percent of each patient's prenatal visits. Any licensed provider who meets the criteria (nurse midwives, OB-GYNs, CRNPs, PCPs) is eligible to participate. The practice must also accept new Health Partners maternity patients.

HPP will continue to offer a bonus payment for meeting Tier 2 on the following disparity measures for African American members:

- Timeliness of Prenatal Care
- Postpartum Care

HPP will also offer a bonus payment for meeting Tier 1 on the same measures.

This is in addition to the payments received for measures covering the entire population.

Monthly Payments to Maternity Care Practice (TIN Level)

MEASUREMENT PERIOD AND REPORTING

Measurement performance determines a practice's monthly per-delivery rewards:

April 2023 recalculation: Measurement period from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022

April 2024 recalculation: Measurement period from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

April 2023 recalculation will impact payments from May 2023 - April 2024.

CALCULATION METHODOLOGY

Incentive payments are based on how well your practice meets predefined benchmarks. These benchmarks are set by industry standards (e.g., NCQA HEDIS results) and have been specifically calibrated to reflect the historical performance and averages of our MQCP-eligible practices.

There are two benchmark tiers: Good Performers (Tier 1) and Highest Achievers (Tier 2). The exact rates needed to reach each tier are detailed in the table below. There is no limit to the number of practices that can earn the maximum reward.

Upon notification of termination of your Health Partners Plans Participating Agreement, participation in the MQCP program and payments made to you in the program will end 90 days prior to the termination date.

Benchmarks for January 1 through December 31, 2023

Prenatal Care in the First Trimester

This measure looks at the percentage of deliveries that received a prenatal care visit in the first trimester or within 42 days of enrollment in Health Partners.

Tier Category	2022 Benchmark	2022 PMPM	2023 Benchmark	2023 PMPM
Tier 1	89.00%	\$15	89.00%	\$15
Tier 2	92.00%	\$30	92.00%	\$30

Postpartum Care

This measure looks at the percentage of deliveries that had a postpartum visit on or between seven and 84 days after delivery.

Tier Category	2022 Benchmark	2022 PMPM	2023 Benchmark	2023 PMPM
Tier 1	80.00%	\$15	80.00%	\$15
Tier 2	90.00%	\$30	90.00%	\$30

Cesarean Section Rate

The C-section rate is the percentage of Health Partners member deliveries in the measurement period that were cesarean sections (this includes all deliveries).

Tier Category	2022 Benchmark	2022 PMPM	2023 Benchmark	2023 PMPM
Tier 1	25.50% or below	\$20	25.50% or below	\$20
Tier 2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Health Equity Bonus

HPP will continue to offer a bonus payment for meeting Tier 2 on the following disparity measures for African American members: Timeliness of Prenatal Care and Postpartum Care.

Additionally, HPP will offer a bonus payment for meeting Tier 1 on the same measures. This is in addition to the payments received for measures covering the entire population.

Health Equity Bonus	2023 Benchmarks		2023 PMPM	
	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 1	Tier 2
Prenatal	89.00%	92.00%	\$5.00	\$10.00
Postpartum	80.00%	90.00%	\$5.00	\$10.00

By participating in the MQCP program, provider organizations agree that 80% of the incentive payment will be dispersed to the provider and/or care team that completed the MQCP requirements and/or care for the members and no more than 20% of those funds will be used for general administrative purposes, per DHS Exhibit B(3), Section III, D.



MQCP Monitoring Measures

NEW MONITORING MEASURE – PRENATAL IMMUNIZATION STATUS

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommends several vaccines for pregnant women to protect them and their infants from serious illness and death. Improving prenatal vaccination is critical, as approximately half of pregnant women do not receive these recommended vaccines. Prenatal Immunization Status is measured as the percentage of deliveries in the measurement period in which women received influenza and tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccinations.

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

Coding for Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) at least once during the member’s pregnancy will continue to be included as a monitoring metric. Social determinants of health are the conditions in which people are born, grow, work, live and age.

The SDoH monitoring measure is included in the MQCP report cards for informational purposes only. At the end of the current measurement period, HPP will evaluate if we will include SDoH as a tracking measure that impacts MQCP incentives in future measurement periods.

In addition to claims, HPP uses data from the ONAF under the Social, Economic & Lifestyle section for monitoring purposes.

1. If the SDoH assessment is completed and positive (barriers identified), submit HCPCS Code **G9919** and the appropriate SDoH Diagnosis Code(s) listed below.
2. If the SDoH assessment is completed and negative (no barriers identified), submit HCPCS Code **G9920**.

Problems related to education and literacy (Z55)	
Z55.0	Illiteracy and low-level literacy
Z55.1	Schooling unavailable and unattainable
Z55.2	Failed school examinations
Z55.3	Underachievement in school
Z55.4	Educational maladjustment and discord with teachers and classmates
Z55.8	Other problems related to education and literacy
Z55.9	Problems related to education and literacy, unspecified

Problems related to employment and unemployment (Z56)	
Z56.0	Unemployment, unspecified
Z56.1	Change of job
Z56.2	Threat of job loss
Z56.3	Stressful work schedule
Z56.4	Discord with boss and workmates
Z56.5	Uncongenial work environment
Z56.6	Other physical and mental strain related to work
Z56.9	Unspecified problems related to employment
Other problems related to employment (Z56.8)	
Z56.81	Sexual harassment on the job
Z56.82	Military deployment status
Z56.89	Other problems related to employment

Occupational exposure to risk factors (Z57)	
Z57.0	Occupational exposure to noise
Z57.1	Occupational exposure to radiation
Z57.2	Occupational exposure to dust
Z57.4	Occupational exposure to toxic agents in agriculture
Z57.5	Occupational exposure to toxic agents in other industries
Z57.6	Occupational exposure to extreme temperature
Z57.7	Occupational exposure to vibration
Z57.8	Occupational exposure to other risk factors
Z57.9	Occupational exposure to unspecified risk factor
Occupational exposure to other air contaminants (Z57.3)	
Z57.31	Occupational exposure to environmental tobacco smoke
Z57.39	Occupational exposure to other air contaminants

Problems related to housing and economic circumstances (Z59)	
Z59.00	Homelessness unspecified
Z59.01	Sheltered homelessness
Z59.02	Unsheltered homelessness
Z59.1	Inadequate housing
Z59.2	Discord with neighbors, lodgers and landlord
Z59.3	Problems related to living in residential institution
Z59.41	Food insecurity
Z59.42	Other specified lack of adequate food
Z59.5	Extreme poverty (100% FPL or below)
Z59.6	Low income (200% FPL or below)
Z59.7	Insufficient social insurance and welfare support
Z59.81	Housing instability, housed
Z59.811	Housing instability, housed, with risk of homelessness
Z59.812	Housing instability, housed, homelessness in past 12 months
Z59.819	Housing instability, housed unspecified
Z59.89	Other problems related to housing and economic circumstances
Z59.9	Problem related to housing and economic circumstances, unspecified

Problems related to social environment (Z60)	
Z60.0	Problems of adjustment to life-cycle transitions
Z60.2	Problems related to living alone
Z60.3	Acculturation difficulty
Z60.4	Social exclusion and rejection
Z60.5	Target of (perceived) adverse discrimination and persecution
Z60.8	Other problems related to social environment
Z60.9	Problem related to social environment, unspecified

Problems related to upbringing (Z62)	
Z62.0	Inadequate parental supervision and control
Z62.1	Parental overprotection
Z62.3	Hostility toward and scapegoating of child
Z62.6	Inappropriate (excessive) parental pressure
Z62.9	Problem related to upbringing, unspecified
Upbringing away from parents (Z62.2)	
Z62.21	Child in welfare custody
Z62.22	Institutional upbringing
Z62.29	Other upbringing away from parents
Other specified problems related to upbringing (Z62.8) & Personal history of abuse in childhood (Z62.81)	
Z62.810	Personal history of physical and sexual abuse in childhood
Z62.811	Personal history of psychological abuse in childhood
Z62.812	Personal history of neglect in childhood
Z62.813	Personal history of forced labor or sexual exploitation in childhood
Z62.819	Personal history of unspecified abuse in childhood
Parent-child conflict (Z62.82)	
Z62.820	Parent-biological child conflict
Z62.821	Parent-adopted child conflict
Z62.822	Parent-foster child conflict
Other specified problems related to upbringing (Z62.89)	
Z62.890	Parent-child estrangement not elsewhere classified
Z62.891	Sibling rivalry
Z62.898	Other specified problems related to upbringing

Other problems related to primary support group, including family circumstances (Z63)	
Z63.0	Problems in relationship with spouse or partner
Z63.1	Problems in relationship with in-laws
Z63.4	Disappearance and death of family member
Z63.5	Disruption of family by separation and divorce
Z63.6	Dependent relative needing care at home
Z63.8	Other specified problems related to primary support group
Z63.9	Problem related to primary support group, unspecified
Absence of family member (Z63.3)	
Z63.31	Absence of family member due to military deployment
Z63.32	Other absence of family member
Other stressful life events affecting family & household (Z63.7)	
Z63.71	Stress on family due to return of family member from military deployment
Z63.72	Alcoholism and drug addiction in family
Z63.79	Other stressful life events affecting family and household

Problems related to certain psychosocial circumstances (Z64)	
Z64.0	Problems related to unwanted pregnancy
Z64.1	Problems related to multiparity
Z64.4	Discord with counselors

Problems related to other psychosocial circumstances (Z65)	
Z65.0	Conviction in civil and criminal proceedings without imprisonment
Z65.1	Imprisonment and other incarceration
Z65.2	Problems related to release from prison
Z65.3	Problems related to other legal circumstances
Z65.4	Victim of crime and terrorism
Z65.5	Exposure to disaster, war and other hostilities
Z65.8	Other specified problems related to psychosocial circumstances
Z65.9	Problem related to unspecified psychosocial circumstances

Problems related to life management difficulty (Z73)	
Z73.3	Stress not elsewhere classified

Personal history of psychological trauma, not elsewhere classified (Z91.4)	
Z91.42	Personal history of forced labor or sexual exploitation
Personal history of adult abuse (Z91.41)	
Z91.410	Personal history of adult physical and sexual abuse
Z91.411	Personal history of adult psychological abuse
Z91.412	Personal history of adult neglect
Z91.419	Personal history of unspecified adult abuse

Diagnosis of patient's intentional underdosing of medication regimen due to financial hardship	
Z91.120	Patient's intentional underdosing of medication regimen due to financial hardship

Encounter for screening, unspecified	
Z13.9	Encounter for screening, unspecified

Frequently Asked Questions

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ONAF PROGRAM?

Visit the “Tools and Resources” page of our website at hpplans.com/providers/resources to learn more about the ONAF forms and submission process. Select “Form and Supply Requests” and choose “Perinatal Assessment Forms” for more information and to download a user guide for the online Optum tool. You can also call Optum’s toll-free customer service support number at **1-800-765-6808**.

WHO SHOULD I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ONAF PROGRAM?

Contact your HPP Provider Relations Representative. His or her name and contact information appear on the report that accompanies your monthly incentive check.

CAN I COMPLETE PRENATAL OR POSTPARTUM VISITS VIA TELEHEALTH?

Yes, both prenatal and postpartum visits can be completed via telehealth. Prenatal visits must include a pregnancy diagnosis and need to occur in the first trimester or within 42 days of enrollment with HPP. One of the following provider types can complete the visit: OB/GYN, midwives, PCP, CRNP or a PA. Postpartum visits can also be completed within 7-84 days of delivery via telehealth. There is no provider type requirement for claim submission. Telehealth visits must be submitted with a 95 or GT modifier.

HOW IS THE MATERNITY CARE INCENTIVE PLAN PAYMENT CALCULATED?

The incentive compensation is based on how well your practice meets predefined benchmarks on three measures. There are two benchmark tiers: Good Performers (Tier 1) and Highest Achievers (Tier 2). All practices are eligible for the maximum incentive if they meet the highest performance benchmarks.

WHAT IS THE LAG TIME ON RESULTS BEING INCLUDED IN OUR MQCP SCORES?

MQCP scores are updated annually. There will be one recalculation cycle in April 2023. The April 2023 recalculation will include the measurement period from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, that will impact the payment period May 2023 to April 2024. Since most of the measures depend on claims data, the measure calculations will incorporate any data received by February 15 for the April calculations.

MQCP Quick Reference Coding Sheet

Measure Name	Timeliness of First Prenatal Visit	
Measure Goal/Description	Prenatal intake visit in the first trimester or within 42 days of enrollment with HPP. Visits occurring prior to the member’s enrollment with the plan also count if they occurred within the first trimester.	
What are the inclusion criteria?	Female Medicaid patients who are continuously enrolled 43 days before delivery through 56 days after delivering a live birth.	
Codes for compliance	Initial Prenatal Visit	CPT: 99201-99205, 99211-99215, 99241-99245, 99483, 99500, 0500F, 0501F, 0502F
		HCPS: T1015, H1000, H1001, H1002, H1003, H1004, G0463
		ICD-10 Diagnosis Any pregnancy diagnosis code. Examples: Z34.00-Z34.03, Z34.80-Z34.83, Z34.90-Z34.93, Z36

Measure Name	Postpartum Care Visit		
Measure Goal/Description	Postpartum visit between seven and 84 days after delivery.		
What are the inclusion criteria?	Female Medicaid patients who are continuously enrolled 43 days before delivery through 84 days after delivering a live birth.		
Codes for compliance	Postpartum Visit	CPT:	0503F, 59430, 99501, 57170, 58300
		HCPS:	G0101
		ICD-10 Diagnosis	Z01.411, Z01.419, Z01.42, Z30.430, Z39.1, Z39.2

ONAF Reimbursement Program

Effective for Calendar Year 2023, ONAF will be removed from MQCP as a program measure. In the new ONAF Program, providers will be eligible for a maximum of \$200 total incentive for submission of one prenatal and one postpartum ONAF form. All ONAFs must be submitted electronically via Optum. Providers will receive payments quarterly.

Please reach out to your Provider Relations Representative or contact our Provider Services Helpline at **1-888-991-9023** with any questions.

Maternity Benefits Program

Encouraging members to take an active role in managing their own health through additional benefits and incentive programs are an effective way to encourage healthy lifestyles to our members. Members are automatically enrolled in the benefits and HPP Rewards program; however, they must register through HPP Rewards, our online member portal, (www.HPPRewards.com) to view and request earned gift cards.

BABY BUNDLE

These benefits will be provided as a prepaid gift card for \$25 and will be applied each time a visit/screening listed below is completed, which can be used as a discount for items such as food resources, diapers and healthy products to care for themselves and the baby.

- 1st prenatal care visit (PPC) as a member within the first trimester or within 42 days of enrollment.
- Postpartum care (PPC) visit within 7-84 days after delivery.
- Well child (W15) visit within 30 days of baby's date of birth.
- Lead screening is completed once within the first 12 months of baby's date of birth.

DENTAL REWARDS

Oral health is an important part of general health and should be maintained even during pregnancy. Routine dental treatment such as radiographs, restorations, extractions, and preventive services have been established as safe throughout all stages of pregnancy and should not be avoided. Women should be counseled and encouraged to seek regular dental visits for their own health as well as the future health of their child.

- Members can earn a \$20 prepaid gift card for completing a comprehensive or periodic dental exam while pregnant. Members are eligible to receive this incentive once per pregnancy.

Tips for Success

- Work with the member to schedule a prenatal visit as soon as possible following a positive pregnancy test.
- Encourage pregnant members to enroll in HPP's Baby Partners program by calling **215-967-4690**.
- If you have urgent concerns about a pregnant HPP member, email the Baby Partners Manager at **ecohen@hpplans.com** or call **215-967-4592**.
- When barriers of care are identified, contact HPP's Baby Partners program for assistance at **215-967-4690** or **askbabypartners@hpplans.com**.
- Provide members with directions about how to access after-hours care.
- Complete and submit ONAFs in a timely manner so that HPP's Baby Partners team can reach out to provide additional prenatal and postpartum care and support.



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