

Weight Assessment and Counseling

HEDIS® Provider Guide:

Measure Description

Children 3-17 years of age who had an outpatient visit with a primary care physician or OB/GYN and who had evidence of the following during the measurement year:

- BMI Percentile documentation or BMI percentile plotted on agegrowth chart (height, weight and BMI percentile must be documented).
- **Counseling for Nutrition** or referral for nutrition education.
- Counseling for Physical Activity or referral for physical activity.

Using Correct Billing Codes

Codes to Identify BMI Percentile, Counseling for Nutrition and Counseling for Physical Activity

Description	Codes	
BMI Percentile	ICD-10:	
	Z68.51	Underweight - Less than the 5 th
		percentile for age
	Z68.52	Healthy Weight - 5 th percentile to less
		than the 85 th percentile for age
	Z68.53	Overweight - 85 th percentile to less than
		the 95 th percentile for age
	Z68.54	<i>Obese</i> - Greater to or equal to the 95 th
		percentile
Counseling	CPT: 97802-97804	
for Nutrition	ICD-10: Z71.3	
Counseling	ICD-10: Z02.5	
for Physical		
Activity		

How to Improve HEDIS® Scores

- Use appropriate HEDIS[®] measure diagnosis and procedure codes to avoid medical review.
- Avoid missed opportunities by taking advantage of every office visit (including sick visits and sports physicals) to capture BMI percentile and counseling on nutrition and physical activity.
- Place BMI percentile charts near scales (<u>http://www.cdc.gov/healthyweight/assessing/bmi/</u>)
 - When documenting BMI percentile, include:
 - Height, weight and BMI percentile
- When counseling for nutrition, document:

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- Current nutrition behaviors (e.g., appetite or meal patterns, eating and dieting habits)
- When counseling for physical activity, document:
 - o Physical activity counseling (e.g., child rides tricycle in the yard)
 - Current physical activity behaviors (e.g., exercise routine, participation in sports activities and exam for sports participation)
 - Merely documenting 'cleared for sports' does not count towards the HEDIS[®] measure, but a sports physical with documentation supporting elements of preventative medicine does count.