

HEDIS Provider Guide: Kidney Health Evaluation for Patients with Diabetes (KED)

Measure Description

The percentage of persons 18-85 years of age with diabetes (type 1 or type 2) who received a kidney health evaluation, defined by an estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) and a urine albumin-creatinine ratio (uACR), on different dates of service, during the measurement year.

Note: For uACR, the urine albumin and urine creatinine test must be **four or fewer days** apart.

Example

Quantitative urine albumin was performed on December 1st; therefore, the urine creatinine must be performed between November 27th and December 5th.

Exclusions

- Persons in hospice or palliative care
- Persons who died during the measurement
- Persons with a diagnosis of ESRD or who had dialysis any time during their history or during the measurement year
- Medicare enrollees aged 66 years of age or older as of December 31st of the measurement year who:
 - Are enrolled in an Institutional Special Needs Plan (I-SNP);
 - Live long-term in an institution; or
 - Are identified as frail and have advanced illness (must meet both criteria to be excluded).

Product Line: Medicare, Medicaid, Commercial

Important Product Line Notes

Medicare: KED is a targeted Medicare Stars measure that impacts provider Star ratings.
Medi-Cal/Commercial: KED is included in the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Health Plan Ratings.

Using Correct Billing Codes

Description	Codes
Kidney Health Evaluation (KED)	Glomerular Filtration Rate Lab Test CPT: 80047, 80048, 80050, 80053, 80069, 82565 LOINC: 50044-7, 50210-4, 50384-7, 62238-1, 69405-9, 70969-1, 77147-7, 94677-2, 98979-8, 98980-6, 102097-3
	Quantitative Urine Albumin Test CPT: 82043 LOINC: 1754-1, 14957-5, 21059-1, 30003-8, 43605-5, 53530-2, 53531-0, 57369-1, 89999-7, 100158-5
	Urine Creatinine Lab Test CPT: 82570 LOINC: 2161-8, 20624-3, 35674-1, 39982-4, 57344-4, 57346-9, 58951-5

Description	Codes
	Urine Albumin Creatinine Ratio Lab Test LOINC: 9318-7, 13705-9, 14958-3, 14959-1, 30000-4, 44292-1, 59159-4, 76401-9, 77253-3, 77254-1, 89998-9

How to Improve HEDIS® Scores

- Review diabetes services needed at each office visit. Ensure every eligible patient with diabetes completes BOTH lab tests: uACR (urine) and eGFR (blood).
- Use standing orders and protocols: Automatic yearly uACR/eGFR, integrating KED tests into annual visits or diabetes-specific follow-ups.
- Ensure submitted data is accurate and timely. Most HEDIS compliance failures occur because only eGFR was done, or tests were ordered but not returned, not documented, not coded with the correct LOINC codes, or were completed at an outside lab and not entered in the EMR or submitted through supplemental data.
- Request from your Blue Shield Quality Program Manager a list of members needing diabetes care.

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