PROVIDER**ALERT** 



## To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: May 13, 2025

## Subject: Changes to HEDIS<sup>®</sup> MY 2025- Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)

**Summary:** The HEDIS MY 2025 Breast Cancer Screening measure recommended screening age range has been updated to 40-74 years of age. The lowering of the age limit to 40 aligns with breast cancer incidence rates becoming more prevalent in those under the age of 50.

For HEDIS measurement year (MY) 2025, the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) has expanded the age range for the Breast Cancer Screening (BCS-E) measure to 40-74, aligning with U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommendations. In recent years, breast cancer incidence rates have increased by 1% per year. Particularly breast cancer incidence rates amongst women younger than 50 have had a steeper rise in recent years (1.4%).<sup>i</sup> The lowering of the age range from 50 to 40 years of age for breast cancer screening reflects a response to increasing breast cancer incidence in younger women.

## **HEDIS®** Measure Guidelines:

The percentage of members 40-74 years of age who were recommended for routine breast cancer screening and had a mammogram to screen for breast cancer. The USPSTF recommends biennial screening mammography for women aged 40-74 years of age.

## What Do You Need to Know about Coding?

Proper coding for patients receiving mammography is important. This measure is collected through claims and Electronic Clinical Data Systems.

CPT codes for mammography:	77061, 77062, 77063, 77065, 77066, 77067
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<sup>i</sup> American Cancer Society. (2025). Key Statistics for Breast Cancer. American Cancer Society. https://www.cancer.org/cancer/types/breast-cancer/about/how-common-is-breast-cancer.html