

Measure Monday: Kidney Health Evaluation measure:

The [National Committee for Quality Assurance](#) (NCQA) recognizes the importance of this screening through the [HEDIS measure](#) “*Kidney Health Evaluation (KED) for Patients with Diabetes*”. The *KED measure* assesses whether adults 18–85 years of age with diabetes (type 1 and type 2) received an annual kidney health evaluation, including a blood test for kidney function (estimated glomerular filtration rate [eGFR]) and a urine test for kidney damage (urine albumin-creatinine ratio [uACR]).¹

Early detection of CKD offers an opportunity to prevent complications before symptoms occur and to slow the loss of kidney function over time.

CPT Codes required for Closing the HEDIS Gap:¹

- CPT Codes that **include** eGFR:
 - 80047 – Basic metabolic panel (Ca, ionized)
 - 80048 – Basic metabolic panel (Ca, total)
 - 80050 – General health panel
 - 80053 – Comprehensive metabolic panel
 - 80069 – Renal Function panel
 - 82565 – Blood Creatinine level
- CPT Codes for urine albumin-creatinine ratio: (Both codes are required, and the urine tests must have service dates of four or less days apart)
 - 82043 - Quantitative urine albumin test (microalbumin)
 - 82570 - Urine Creatinine test.
 - Urine albumin creatinine ratio test (uACR). (Closed by LOINC code only)

****Most point-of-care urine tests are semi-quantitative and do NOT close the HEIDS gap.***

Some laboratories offer a standardized “Kidney Profile” that bundles these components into one request.

Exclusions¹

- Are age 66–80 with advanced illness and frailty
- Received hospice services or was deceased anytime during the measurement year
- Are age 81 or older with frailty
- Received palliative care during the measurement year
- End stage renal disease (ESRD) or dialysis anytime during the patient’s history

References

1. *Kidney Health Evaluation for Patients with Diabetes (KED)*. The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). Retrieved February 3, 2025, from <https://www.ncqa.org/hedis/measures/kidney-health-evaluation-for-patients-with-diabetes/>