

Updates from the October 11th Metrics & Scoring Committee Meeting

The Metrics & Scoring Committee made decisions about modifying the measurement periods for three measures we discussed in September.

OHA is working on updating the measure specification sheets and will be posted revised documentation soon. We know these changes affect the progress report data we have been providing, so look for updates in early November.

- *Mental and Physical Health Assessments for Children in DHS Custody*

The Committee agreed to measure the rate of assessments for children who entered custody between October 1 and December 31, 2013 only. This is the "measure from date of notification only" option. This means that we will be looking for assessments that occurred through February 2014 (60 days after children enter custody in December).

OHA is still working on how to best incorporate a lookback period to make sure that any assessments that occur prior to the OHA notification files are included in the measure. We will take your feedback on this (7 day, 14 day, 30 day?) at the TAG meeting, and will get back to you all with a final decision as soon as we can.

- *Follow Up Care for Children Prescribed ADHD Medications*

The Committee agreed to move the IPSD (index prescription start date) window from March 1, 2012 - February 28, 13 (HEDIS specifications) to January 1 - December 31, 2013 to better align with the measurement year. This means we will be looking for 30 day follow up visits through January 2014 for children who were prescribed ADHD meds in December 2013.

- *Timeliness of Prenatal Care*

The Committee agreed to move the measurement period forward and change the anchor date, so we will be looking for live deliveries between September 6, 2013 - February 2014. This will look at prenatal care provided between January and August 2013.