

Assessments for Children in ODHS Custody (DHS)

Measure Basic Information

Name and date of specifications used: OHA developed these specifications based on requirements for physical, mental, and dental health assessments for children who enter ODHS custody. **The required assessment windows are revised in MY2026 to more closely align with OAR 413-015-0465¹, following the Health Care Standards published by American Academy for Pediatrics (AAP) and Child Welfare League of America (CWLA)².**

URL of Specifications: N/A

Measure Type:

☐ HEDIS ☐ Survey ☒ Other Specify: OHA-developed

Measure Utility:

☒ CCO Incentive ☐ CMS Adult Core Set ☐ CMS Child Core Set ☐ Other Specify:

Data Source: MMIS/DSSURS and OR-KIDS

Measurement Period: Cases with First Notification Date **November 1, 2025 – October 31, 2026**

Note the cut-off date of notification is on October 31st so the health assessment period can occur by the end of the year.

DHS	2023	2024	2025	2026
Benchmark for OHA measurement year	90%	93.2%	93.2%	TBD
Improvement target for OHA measurement year	MN method with 2 percentage point floor	MN method with 3 percentage point floor	MN method with 3 percentage point floor	
Source:	Metrics & Scoring Committee consensus	MY 2022 CCO 75th percentile	MY 2022 CCO 75th percentile	

Note on telehealth: This measure is telehealth eligible as the qualifying numerator services do not require in-person place of service codes in claims data. For further information specific to Oregon, the Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC) has provided this [guideline](#) on telehealth services.

Changes in specifications from MY2025 to MY2026:

¹ Link to OAR: https://oregon.public.law/rules/oar_413-015-0465

² Link to Health Care Standards by AAP and CWLA: https://www.aap.org/en/patient-care/foster-care/health-care-standards/?srsltid=AfmBOorDnPNKNT4q-iOBRTx2z_dqNh9LAhHeLTppnqdKAJg2Szdpu3Xf

- The numerator period for physical and dental health assessment is shortened to within 30 days after the first notification to the CCO.
- Change continuous enrollment and custody from the denominator inclusion criteria to denominator exception.
- Added to numerator criteria if the child is at the age to consent to care but refuse the health assessment.
- Remove the requirement for numerator claims from the matching CCO.
- Remove the obsolete CPT code 99201 from physical health assessment.

Member type: ☒ CCOA ☐ CCOB ☐ CCOE ☐ CCOF ☐ CCOG

- CCO members with eligibility for Basic Health Plan (BHP) or Healthier Oregon Program (HOP) anytime during the required continuous enrollment period are excluded from the incentive quality rates.

Specify claims used in the calculation:

DHS	Only use claims from matching CCO	Denied claims included
Numerator in 60-day assessment period	✗	✗
Numerator in 30-day lookback period, or when the enrollment with the notified CCO has not started	N (all MMIS/DSSURS claims for the member are used, regardless of Open Card claims, or from other CCOs)	✗
Numerator assessments	N (all MMIS/DSSURS claims for the member are used, regardless of Open Card claims, or from other CCOs)	Y

Measure Details

Data elements required denominator: Identified children/adolescents 0 – 17 years of age as of the first date of ODHS/OHA notification and remained in custody for at least 60 days. Only children/adolescents that ODHS/OHA notified CCOs about will be included in the denominator. Include cases notified from November 1 of the year prior to the measurement year, to October 31 of the measurement year.

Whether a child ‘remained in custody’ is determined by Child Welfare discharge date or transfer of custody (such as OYA) in the OR-Kids data. If a CCO received information from DHS for change of custody, the CCO should preserve communication records; OHA will review these records and determine exclusions from the metric on a case-by-case basis.

If the case received all needed assessments in the required window, the case is kept in the denominator (and the CCO receives the numerator credit), even if the child does not meet continuous enrollment and custody criteria. See the Denominator Exception section for more detail.

Note: OHA and DHS launched a new weekly notification data layout on January 13, 2021 which included the key improvements:

- An 'Episode Start Date' (also known as the Foster Care Entry date, or DHS Custody Entry Date) is provided in the notification file for the CCO to determine whether a new round of assessments is needed.
- Notified cases stay in the weekly files for 90 days so the CCO can receive updates on placement status changes through the assessment period.
- A 'First Notification Date' remains constant with the unique episode throughout the time the case stays in the report and there is a 'count of days with CCO' which helps the CCO to keep track of the assessment completion timeline. There are rare scenarios that could cause child to be dropped from the weekly notification file, then the First Notification Date would be restarted if they returned to the notifications; in this case, only the very first 'First Notification Date' of each unique episode is used to for the calculation to anchor the continuous enrollment and assessment period.

See Appendix for full detail of data fields in the new weekly notification file, including scenarios that could cause the First Notification Date to be restarted.

OHA continues to use the CCO notification files as the main source for identifying denominator cases for the measure. The 834 enrollment files can provide supplemental information on changes in eligibility and enrollment for all children in DHS custody within a CCO, but they are not the main source for identifying new cases that require assessments.

Required exclusions for denominator:

Custody cases will be automatically excluded from the final measure denominator for the following reasons:

- The CCO did not receive notification from OHA on the child, even if the CCO was informed by DHS or another source when the child entered ODHS custody/substitute care.
- ~~The child did not enroll with the CCO or did not meet the continuous enrollment criteria. See detail in the continuous enrollment and allowable gap sections.~~
- The child entered ODHS custody/substitute care more than 30 days prior to the first OHA notification to the CCO³, i.e., a case is excluded if the First Notification Date to the CCO is more than 30 days after the Episode Start Date in the new weekly notification file.
- If a CCO is notified more than once for the same case of a child entering DHS custody (same Episode Start Date for a child on more than one weekly notification file), only the very first 'First Notification Date' documented in the weekly file is used, and the continuous enrollment and numerator assessment periods are calculated based on this date. Any other CCO notification dates for the same child and DHS custody entry are excluded.
- ~~The child's custody with DHS is ended or transferred to Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) during the 60 days following CCO notification.~~
- ~~The child is in Run-Away status during the 60 days following CCO notification are identified from OR Kids and excluded. The child is still in DHS custody, but they are usually dis-enrolled from the~~

³ Note: this signals that the case is not new to ODHS custody, therefore does not need new health assessments. The weekly notification file also includes all ODHS custody children new to the CCO, but not necessarily new to ODHS custody or a foster care placement.

~~CCO and entered into Fee for Service / Open Card until their next placement (and thus can also be excluded based on continuous enrollment criteria).~~

Custody cases may be excluded from the final measure denominator for the following reasons manually, with OHA review of supporting evidence:

- A child placed in a rehabilitation, residential treatment facility or in OYA detention is not an automatic exclusion, unless the placement is out of the service area for the CCO, or the local DHS instructed the CCO to not follow up with the case. The CCO needs to preserve communication records for OHA review and determination.

Denominator Exception: Among children in the denominator who did *not* complete all required assessments in the appropriate window, exclude those in the following scenarios:

- ~~• Children with a delayed start of enrollment, i.e., the child's enrollment with the CCO (for CCOA coverage) does not start when the CCO is notified for up to 7 days (see Continuous Enrollment and Allowable Gap sections for more detail).~~
- Children who are not continuously enrolled with the CCO from the date of the first notification through 60 days after (including late start of the enrollment, Run Away status or any enrollment gaps and early disenrollment).
- Children who do not remain in ODHS custody from the date of the first notification through 60 days after (including custody transferred to OYA, permanent reunification or other scenarios that ends the ODHS custody early).
- Children who were already in 'Trial Reunification' when the case was notified to the CCO, or entered 'Trial Reunification' anytime from the date of notification through 60 days after.

Note: Cases that completed all assessments in the required window are kept in the measure denominator (and the CCO receives the numerator credits), even if any of the exception rules are met.

Continuous custody and enrollment criteria:

- All cases ~~must~~ remain in DHS custody and continuously enrolled with the notified CCO (for CCOA coverage) from the date of notification through 60 days after with no gaps in coverage, are included in the measure denominator.
- Cases do not meet the continuous enrollment and custody criteria above, are kept in the denominator if all the needed assessments are completed in the required window (see Denominator Exception section).
- ~~• Cases with delayed start of enrollment to the notified CCO for up to 7 days are included only if they are also numerator compliant (the CCO would receive credit on the metric). This means cases with delayed start of enrollment which did not complete all the required assessments are excluded.~~

~~**Allowable gaps in enrollment:** None. Note, there is an allowable delayed start of enrollment for up to 7 days if the case is also numerator compliant (see continuous enrollment section above), but there are no allowable gaps once the enrollment to the notified CCO has started.~~

Anchor Date (if applicable): None

Data elements required numerator: Depending on age at CCO notification date, members in the denominator are required to receive a physical health assessment (all ages 0-17) **within 30 days of the notification date**, a dental health assessment (age 1-17) **within 30 days of the notification date**, and a mental health assessment (age 3-17) within 60 days of the notification date. **All assessments completed within 30 days prior to the notification date can also count, using all MMIS claims regardless of the payer for the visit.**

If the child is at the age to consent to the services themselves (age 15 and above for physical and dental health, or 14 and above for mental health⁴) and refused the assessment, the CCO can submit documentation from the ODHS case worker or the provider for numerator credit. Each type of assessment needs to be documented separately.

	Required assessments for children entering ODHS custody		
Age on CCO Notification Date	Physical	Dental	Mental
Less than 1 year old	YES	NO	NO
1 to 2 years old	YES	YES	NO
3 to 17 years old	YES	YES	YES
Assessment window from the CCO notification date	-30 to +30 days	-30 to +30 days	-30 to +60 days
Age for children who can refuse the assessment	Age 15 and above	Age 15 and above	Age 14 and above

Qualifying health assessments are identified by one of the following procedure codes:

Physical health assessment codes:

- Outpatient and office evaluation and management codes: ~~99201~~ 99202- 99205, 99212 – 99215
- Preventative visits: 99381 – 99384, 99391 – 99394
- Annual wellness visits: G0438, G0439
- If physical health assessments as indicated in these new patient E&M codes CPT 99201-99205 include qualifying mental health or child abuse/neglect diagnosis on the same claim (see code table below), they will count as both mental and physical health assessments. This is to reflect assessments provided by a psychiatric (nurse or physician) provider, but OHA does not apply a check of provider specialty in the calculation. Qualifying diagnosis codes include⁵:

⁴ References for patient age to consent to care: [ORS 109.640](#), [ORS 109.675](#)

⁵ Qualifying diagnosis codes are based on the OHA Health Analytics Behavioral Health team review with Oregon's Prioritized List and additional codes that may be picked up in deferred diagnosis situations.

Visits with CPT 99202 – 99205 can count as both physical and mental health assessments if paired with following diagnosis codes:	
Source	ICD-10CM Diagnosis (All diagnosis fields apply)
Mental Health Diagnosis Value Set	F03, F20 – F53, F59 – F69, F80 – F99 (total of 291 codes)
Diagnosis related to child abuse or neglect	T74.02xA, T74.02xD, T74.12xA, T74.12xD, T74.22xA, T74.32xA, T74.32xD, T74.22xD, T76.02xA, T76.02xD, T76.12xA, T76.12xD, T76.22xA, T76.22xD, T76.32xA, T76.32xD, T76.92xA, T76.92xD

Mental health assessment codes:

- Psychological assessment and intervention codes: 90791, 90792, 96130, 96131, 96136, 96137, 96138, 96139, H0031, H1011
- Mental health assessment (by non-physician) and CANS assessment at the same visit: H2000-TG (modifier must be included)⁶
- Behavioral health; long-term residential (non-medical, non-acute care in a residential treatment program where stay is typically longer than 30 days): H0019⁷
- Psychiatric health facility service, per diem: H2013
- Community psychiatric supportive treatment program, per diem: H0037

Dental health assessment codes:

- Dental diagnostic codes (clinical oral evaluations): D0100-D0199

Required exclusions for numerator: N/A

For more information: The guidance document for this measure is available online at <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/ANALYTICS/Pages/CCO-Metrics.aspx>

⁶ Only Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT), Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), psychologist and Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) qualify for performing mental health assessment and eligible for billing H2000-TG. Other providers such as Qualified Mental Health Associates (QMHA), case managers, or care coordinators do not qualify for performing mental health assessment and to use the modifier TG.

⁷ Use of this code counts as both mental and physical health assessment for children in PRTS.

Appendix: Data Fields in Revised CCO Weekly Notification Report for Children in DHS Custody

	Column Name	Description	Notes
A	firstnotificationdate	The date that the child first appears on the report. To identify the first notification date used in the OHA metric calculation	A child can have a new “first” notification date if the child goes to Out of State (No Service Area Exception), Runaway or Detention and returns to a placement within the first 90 days of the foster care episode.
B	CountOfDaysWithCCO	Report run date minus first notification date	
C	newtoccoflag	Values can be Y, N, or N/A Y = Child is new to this CCO but not new to this report. Count of days with CCO is 0 days N = Child is not new to this CCO, has been on report previously for this CCO, Count of days with CCO is greater > 0 N/A = Child is new to this report. Count of days with CCO is 0 days.	The count of days with CCO can start over if child is missing from the report for a week or more. This might be because they are returning after a status of Detention or Runaway or because their eligibility is being updated etc.
D	managedcareregion	The region the CCO is governed by	Codes can be found here
E	mmisproviderid	The CCO Provider ID	
F	mmisprovidername	CCO the child is enrolled in	
G	eligibilityeffectivedate	The date the child's medical eligibility began	Not always the same date as foster care episode start date
H	primeid	The child's prime ID from OR-Kids	
I	lastcaseid	The child's OR-Kids case ID	
J	childid	The child's OR-Kids person ID	
K	lastname	The child's last name	
L	firstname	The child's first name	
M	dob	The child's date of birth	
N	gender	The child's gender (m/f)	
O	primaryracelabel	The child's primary race	
P	episodestartdate	The first day of the foster care episode	
Q	daysfcepisodeopen	Run date minus Episode Start Date	
R	lastsvcstartdate	Current service the child is placed in	See tab called "List of Services"
S	lastservicedesc	The type of foster care placement the child is in	See tab called "List of Services"
T	cwcaretakerid	ID of current caretaker	If ID shows as 9999, it means child is on trial reunification

U	cwcaretakeridchange	Values can be Y, N, or N/A Y = Child has new caretaker from previous report N = Child does not have new caretaker from previous report N/A = Child is new to this report so does not have new caretaker from previous report	
V	cwcaretakename	Name of current caretaker	Field will be blank for kids on trial reunification at home with their parents
W	street	Street address of child's current location	
X	city	City of child's current location	
Y	state	State of child's current location	
Z	zip	Zip of child's current location	
AA	phone	Phone number at child's current location	
AB	email	Email at child's current location	
AC	addressstartdate	Start date of current address	
AD	addresschange	Values can be Y, N, or N/A Y = Child has new address from previous report N = Child does not have new address from previous report N/A = Child is new to this report so does not have new address from previous report	
AE	districtdesc	District of primary worker	District map can be found here
AF	branchid	MMIS Branch code	
AG	rundate	Date that this report was run out of OR-Kids	

Overview

The weekly CCO Notification report will provide timely notification to the child's enrolled Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) that the child has entered foster care and is enrolled in the named CCO. The child will appear on the report if both criteria are met: an open foster care placement and open eligibility/enrollment to a CCO. The child will remain on the report until the foster care placement has been open for ninety days or until disenrollment occurs (for reasons such as Out of State, Detention or Runaway Placement).

Change Flags

If the child moves but remains with the same CCO, the report will update to the current address for the child. If the child moves and the CCO changes, the child's info will update to reflect the new CCO name and child's new address and create a new First Notification Date. A child's address can change because the provider moved while the child remains with that provider, or the child moves to a new provider/placement. Many CCO's upload their list into their own data systems, therefore change flags will be included to specify what changed from the prior day:

- Provider/Placement Change Flag (new provider/placement from prior day)
- Address Change Flag (new address from prior day)
- CCO Enrollment Change Flag (new CCO Provider ID from prior day)

Non-Subcare Placement Rules

If a child goes on **Runaway** and a notification to DHS Central Office staff occurs, a manual disenrollment will take place. Because this doesn't always happen, the report will drop the child when the runaway placement is opened in ORKids, before MMIS disenrollment occurs. There are three runaway placements: Missing/Runaway (Cd 131), Missing/Abducted (Cd 1080), and Missing/Other (not known why child is missing) (Cd 1081). If the child returns to a foster care placement and enrollment to a CCO occurs prior to the foster care episode being open for ninety days, the child will re-appear with a new First Notification Date, whether the CCO has changed or not.

If a child goes to **Detention** (Cd 134) and a notification to DHS Central Office staff occurs, a manual disenrollment will take place. Because this doesn't always happen, the report will drop the child when the detention placement is opened in ORKids, before MMIS disenrollment occurs. If the child returns to a foster care placement and enrollment to a CCO occurs prior to the foster care episode being open for ninety days, the child will re-appear with a new First Notification Date, whether the CCO has changed or not.

If a child is placed **Out of State** (County Code 999 in MMIS) with no SAE Exception (child is not in placement Cd 133: Child Placed in Mental Health Facility) auto-disenrollment will occur. If the child returns to a foster care placement and enrollment to a CCO occurs prior to the foster care episode being open for ninety days, the child will re-appear with a new First Notification Date, whether the CCO has changed or not.

If a child is in an **OYA Placement** (Cd 1083: OYA Paid Placement – Foster Care or Cd 1084: OYA Paid Placement - Residential) the child will remain on the report and the Count of Days with the CCO will continue. (No new First Notification Date)

If a child is on **Trial Reunification** (Cd 1030) the child will remain on the report and the Count of Days with the CCO will continue. (No new First Notification Date)

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