

Diabetes Medications Adherence Measures

The diabetes adherence measure is defined as the percent of Senior Care Plus members with a prescription for diabetes medication who fill their prescription often enough to cover 80% or more of the time they are supposed to be taking the medication. Plan members who take insulin are not included in this measure.

The following classes of diabetes medications included in this measure are:

- Biguanides
- Sulfonylureas
- Thiazolidinediones
- DiPeptidyl Peptidase (DPP)-IV Inhibitors
- Incretin mimetics
- Meglitinides
- Sodium glucose cotransporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitors

The patient must have at least two fills of diabetes medication(s) on unique dates of service during the measurement period to be included in this measure.

If a patient fills a diabetes medication with a 100 day supply, three times during a calendar year they will be adherent to the measure. This means they filled 300 days of medication within a calendar year. Example: 300 days of medication/365 days = 82% adherence. Mail order can help by shipping medications to patients.