



HEDIS[®] Tip Sheet | Effectiveness of Care Measure

Breast Cancer Screening (BCS) and the BCS-E CPT, LOINC[®] and SNOMED-CT Codes List

Improve your HEDIS¹ rates by using this tip sheet that contains key details about the BCS measure, its codes and guidance for documentation.

Breast cancer is a common type of cancer in women in the United States.² To help reduce mortality rates, mammography is used as an effective screening tool for early detection of breast cancer.

Measure

The percentage of members who need screening, ages 40–74, who have had one or more mammograms any time on or between October 1 two years before the measurement year and December 31 of the measurement year.³

Exclusions

- Members who meet the following criteria anytime during the measurement period:
 - Members who used hospice services or elect to use hospice benefits.
 - Members who died any time during the measurement year.
 - Members receiving palliative care.
 - Medicare members ages 66 and older enrolled in an institutional special needs plans (I-SNP) or living long-term in an institution.
 - Members ages 66 and older with frailty and advanced illness.
- Members with bilateral mastectomy during the measurement year. Any of the following meet the criteria for bilateral mastectomy:
 - History of bilateral mastectomy.
 - Unilateral mastectomy with a bilateral modifier.
 - Unilateral mastectomy found in clinical data with a bilateral modifier.
- Any combinations of codes that indicate a mastectomy on both the left and right side on the same or different dates of service:
 - Unilateral mastectomy with a left/right-side modifier.
 - Unilateral mastectomy found in clinical data with a left/right side modifier.
 - Absence of the left/right breast.
 - Left/right unilateral mastectomy.

¹ HEDIS – Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set.

² American Cancer Society, 2020, Breast Cancer – What Are the Key Statistics about Breast Cancer. Retrieved from www.cancer.org/cancer/breast-cancer/about/how-common-is-breast-cancer.html. September 3, 2020.

³ NCQA. HEDIS 2020 Technical Specifications for Health Plans, Volume 2, Washington, D.C., 2020.

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Exclusion codes

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Description	Codes
Bilateral mastectomy	ICD-10: OHTV0ZZ
Unilateral mastectomy with a bilateral modifier	CPT: 19180, 19200, 19220, 19240, 19303–19307 (See the code list starting on page three.) Modifier: 50, LT, RT
History of bilateral mastectomy	ICD-10: Z90.13
Any combination of codes below that indicate a mastectomy on both the left and right side on the same or different dates of service.	
Unilateral mastectomy with left/right side modifier	CPT: 19180, 19200, 19220, 19240, 19303–19307 Modifier: LT, RT
Left unilateral mastectomy	ICD-10: OHTU0ZZ
Right unilateral mastectomy	ICD-10: OHTT0ZZ
Absence of left breast	ICD-10: Z90.12
Absence of right breast	ICD-10: Z90.11

Best Practices	Mammography codes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Note the date of the mammogram with proof of completion in the medical record to confirm screening was ordered and completed. Discuss the results or findings with the patient.• All types and methods of mammograms (screening, diagnostic, film, digital, or digital breast tomosynthesis) meet the numerator compliance. Do not count biopsies, breast ultrasounds or MRIs.• Refer patients to local mammography imaging centers. Follow up to confirm completion.• Ensure that radiology facilities are compliant with FDA-required breast density notification language in the patient’s mammogram reports.• Review breast density assessment with the patient to educate on the classification, risk status, frequency of screening, and method of screening.• Utilize risk models to identify high risk patient identification.• Schedule mobile mammography events at clinics or during health fairs, etc.• Educate patients on the importance of routine screening (at least once every 24 months). Remind patients that preventive screenings are covered under health care reform. Depending on risk factors, mammograms may be done more often.• Use shared decision making. Address misconceptions and concerns related to dense breasts or high-risk status.• Discuss possible concerns or fears members may have about the screening.• Develop standing orders along with automated referrals (if applicable) for women ages 40-74.• Promote culturally sensitive communication by training the clinical and support staff to recognize and respect diverse beliefs, language needs and health literacy levels that may influence screening behaviors and decision-making.	CPT	77055–77057, 77061–77063, 77065–77067 (See the code list starting on page three.)

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BCS-E CPT, LOINC® and SNOMED-CT Codes List

The breast cancer screening measure has transitioned to the exclusive use of the electronic clinical data systems reporting standard

- See the list of codes below that will help close the BCS-E or breast cancer screening care gap.
- This list of codes is subject to change so please refer to the NCQA technical specification or value set for more details.

Code system	Code	Definition
CPT	77062	Breast, mammography
CPT	77061	Breast, mammography
CPT	77063	Breast, mammography
CPT	77065	Breast, mammography
CPT	77066	Breast, mammography
CPT	77067	Breast, mammography
LOINC ¹	86463-7	Digital breast tomosynthesis (DBT) breast – bilateral
LOINC	72139-9	DBT breast – bilateral diagnostic
LOINC	91519-9	DBT breast – bilateral diagnostic for implant
LOINC	91522-3	DBT breast – bilateral screen for implant
LOINC	72142-3	DBT breast – bilateral screening
LOINC	72138-1	DBT breast – left diagnostic
LOINC	91518-1	DBT breast – left diagnostic for implant
LOINC	91521-5	DBT breast – left screen for implant
LOINC	72141-5	DBT breast – left screening
LOINC	72137-3	DBT breast – right diagnostic
LOINC	91517-3	DBT breast – right diagnostic for implant
LOINC	91520-7	DBT breast – right screen for implant
LOINC	72140-7	DBT breast – right screening
LOINC	86462-9	DBT breast – unilateral
LOINC	39154-0	Full-field digital (FFD) mammogram breast – bilateral diagnostic
LOINC	42174-3	FFD mammogram breast – bilateral screening
LOINC	42169-3	FFD mammogram breast – left diagnostic
LOINC	46355-4	FFD mammogram breast – left screening
LOINC	42168-5	FFD mammogram breast – right diagnostic

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Code system	Code	Definition
LOINC	46354-7	FFD mammogram breast – right screening
LOINC	39152-4	FFD mammogram breast diagnostic
LOINC	39153-2	FFD mammogram breast screening
LOINC	46342-2	FFD mammogram breast views
LOINC	39150-8	FFD mammogram breast views post localization
LOINC	38090-7	Mammogram-guided (MG) breast – bilateral air gap views
LOINC	26346-7	MG breast – bilateral diagnostic
LOINC	48475-8	MG breast – bilateral diagnostic for implant
LOINC	26349-1	MG breast – bilateral diagnostic limited views
LOINC	46351-3	MG breast – bilateral displacement views for implant
LOINC	26287-3	MG breast – bilateral limited views
LOINC	37554-3	MG breast – bilateral magnification and spot
LOINC	37543-6	MG breast – bilateral magnification views
LOINC	37006-4	MG breast – bilateral MLO
LOINC	37016-3	MG breast – bilateral rolled views
LOINC	26175-0	MG breast – bilateral screening
LOINC	48492-3	MG breast – bilateral screening for implant
LOINC	46335-6	MG breast – bilateral single view
LOINC	37552-7	MG breast – bilateral spot views
LOINC	37029-6	MG breast – bilateral tangential
LOINC	37038-7	MG breast – bilateral true lateral
LOINC	36626-0	MG breast – bilateral views
LOINC	38071-7	MG breast – bilateral views for implant
LOINC	42415-0	MG breast – bilateral views post wire placement
LOINC	37052-8	MG breast – bilateral XCCL
LOINC	36642-7	MG breast – left two views
LOINC	38091-5	MG breast – left air gap views
LOINC	26347-5	MG breast – left diagnostic
LOINC	69150-1	MG breast – left diagnostic for implant
LOINC	26350-9	MG breast – left diagnostic limited views

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Code system	Code	Definition
LOINC	26289-9	MG breast – left limited views
LOINC	37005-6	MG breast – left magnification
LOINC	38854-6	MG breast – left magnification and spot
LOINC	37017-1	MG breast – left rolled views
LOINC	26176-8	MG breast – left screening
LOINC	46336-4	MG breast – left single view
LOINC	37553-5	MG breast – left spot views compression
LOINC	37030-4	MG breast – left tangential
LOINC	38855-3	MG breast – left true lateral
LOINC	36627-8	MG breast – left views
LOINC	38072-5	MG breast – left views for implant
LOINC	42416-8	MG breast – left views post wire placement
LOINC	37053-6	MG breast – left XCCL
LOINC	37768-9	MG breast – right two views
LOINC	26348-3	MG breast – right diagnostic
LOINC	69259-0	MG breast – right diagnostic for implant
LOINC	26351-7	MG breast – right diagnostic limited views
LOINC	26291-5	MG breast – right limited views
LOINC	37773-9	MG breast – right magnification
LOINC	37769-7	MG breast – right magnification and spot
LOINC	37775-4	MG breast – right rolled views
LOINC	26177-6	MG breast – right screening
LOINC	46337-2	MG breast – right single view
LOINC	38807-4	MG breast – right spot views compression
LOINC	37770-5	MG breast – right tangential
LOINC	37771-3	MG breast – right true lateral
LOINC	37774-7	MG breast – right views
LOINC	38820-7	MG breast – right views for implant
LOINC	37772-1	MG breast – right XCCL

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Code system	Code	Definition
LOINC	46350-5	MG breast – unilateral diagnostic
LOINC	46356-2	MG breast – unilateral screening
LOINC	46338-0	MG breast – unilateral single view
LOINC	46339-8	MG breast – unilateral views
LOINC	46380-2	MG breast – unilateral views for implant
LOINC	36319-2	MG breast four views
LOINC	36962-9	MG breast axillary
LOINC	24605-8	MG breast diagnostic
LOINC	26404-1	MG breast diagnostic limited views
LOINC	37539-4	MG breast grid views
LOINC	24610-8	MG breast limited views
LOINC	37542-8	MG breast magnification views
LOINC	24606-8	MG breast screening
LOINC	37551-9	MG breast spot views
LOINC	37028-8	MG breast tangential
LOINC	37037-9	MG breast true lateral
LOINC	36625-2	MG breast views
LOINC	38070-9	MG breast views for implant
LOINC	69251-7	MG breast views for post wire placement
SNOWMED ² CT US edition	833310007	Contrast enhanced dual energy spectral mammography (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	726551006	Contrast enhanced spectral mammography (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	450566007	Digital breast tomosynthesis (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	723780005	Digital tomosynthesis of bilateral breasts (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	723779007	Digital tomosynthesis of left breast (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	723778004	Digital tomosynthesis of right breast (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	709657006	Fluoroscopy of breast (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	241055006	Mammogram – symptomatic (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	241057003	Mammogram coned (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	439324009	Mammogram in compression view (procedure)

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Code system	Code	Definition
SNOWMED CT US edition	241058008	Mammogram magnification (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	71651007	Mammography (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	866235004	Mammography of bilateral breast implants (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	43204002	Mammography of bilateral breasts (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	866234000	Mammography of breast implant (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	572701000119102	Mammography of left breast (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	866236003	Mammography of right breast implant (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	566571000119105	Mammography of right breast implant (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	24623002	Screening mammography (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	384151000119104	Screening mammography of bilateral breasts (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	392531000119105	Screening mammography of left breast (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	392521000119107	Screening mammography of right breast (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	258172002	Stereotactic mammography (procedure)
SNOWMED CT US edition	12389009	Xeromammography (procedure)

¹LOINC – Logical Observation Identifiers Names and Codes

²SNOMED CT – Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine – Clinical Terms