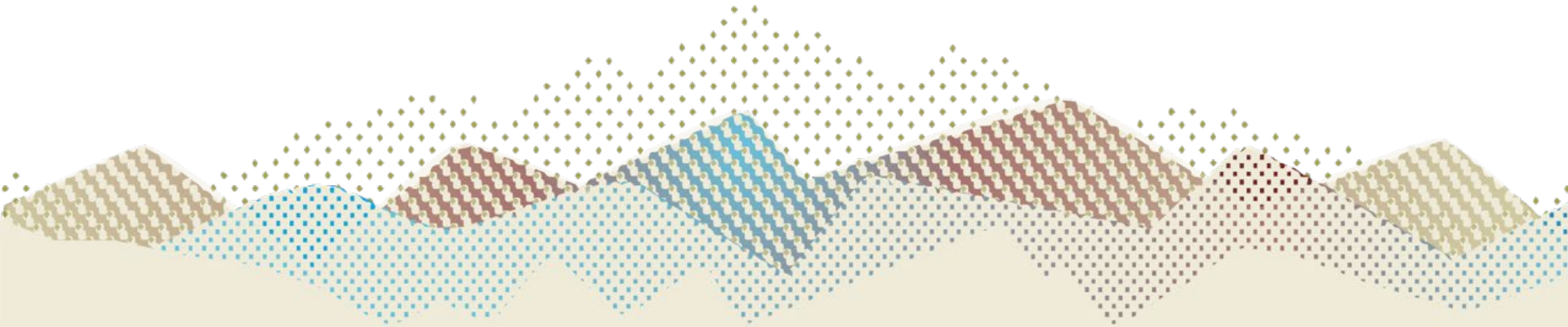




Perinatal Quality Incentive Program 2026 6-Month Bridge Kickoff Webinar

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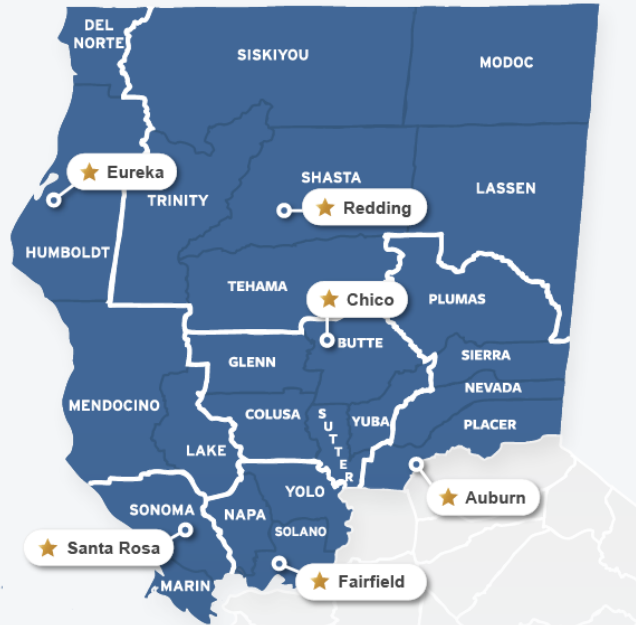
Agenda

- Perinatal Quality Incentive Program (QIP) Background
- 2026 Six-Month Bridge Timeline
- 2026 Six-Month Bridge Perinatal QIP Measure
- Questions and Answers



About Us

Regional Offices



Mission:

To help our members, and the communities we serve, be healthy.

Vision:

To be the most highly regarded managed care plan in California.

Perinatal QIP Background

The Perinatal Quality Incentive Program (PQIP) is an invitation only, value-based program. Started in 2017, the PQIP ran an extensive pilot period from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2020. The program was officially adopted as a pay-for-performance program in July 2020. We now have over 100 participating facilities from 35 parent organizations.

The PQIP offers financial incentives to practices participating in the Partnership HealthPlan Perinatal Services (PHPS) program and other select non-PHPS practices that provide quality and timely prenatal and postpartum care to Partnership members.



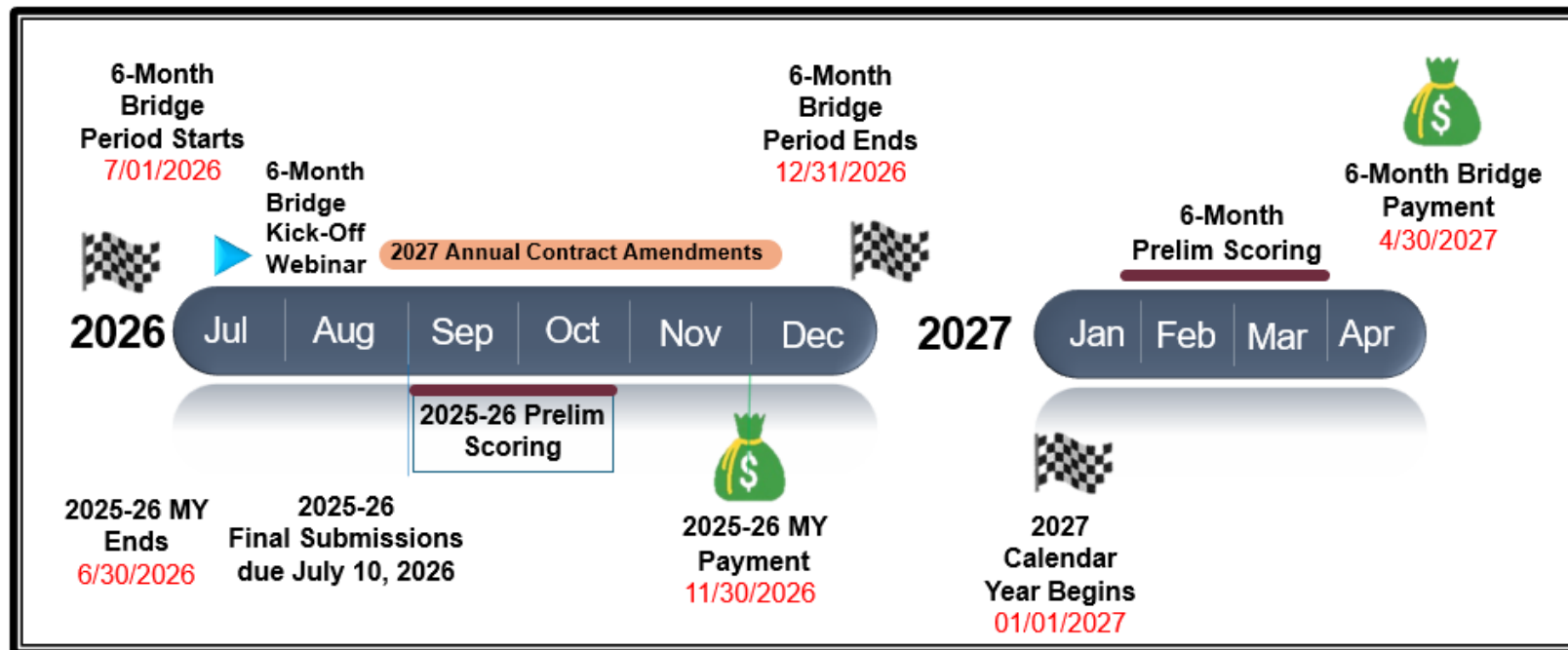
Participation Eligibility

Participating PHPS practices and select perinatal practices are invited to participate in the PQIP. All invited practices will submit an application / survey for the PHPS program that includes contact information for their program and outlines the services and staff who provide perinatal clinical care and other perinatal services in their program.

Participation Requirements

- All newly invited practices must submit a complete application for PHPS that includes contact information for their program and outlines the services and staff who provide perinatal clinical care and other perinatal services in their program by December 31, 2026, (contact phps@partnershiphp.org) for an application
- In general, to be eligible for the 6-month bridge measurement period that will run from July 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, existing PQIP participants must have signed a Partnership PQIP contract amendment no later than December 31, 2025. Providers joining the PQIP for the first time for this 6-month period must sign a contract amendment no later than June 30, 2026, to be eligible to participate

6-Month Bridge Transition Timeline



PQIP Six-Month Bridge

- Starting in 2027 the HQIP will run on a calendar year. To transition to a calendar year, the HQIP will have an abbreviated six-month bridge measure set from July 1 through December 31, 2026. Payment for this period will be sent by the end of April 2027.
- Organizations are required to sign an annual contract amendment agreeing to participate in the QIPs as defined in provided measure summaries. Partnership plans for earlier engagement in this process during 2026. Amendments have already been signed that cover the six-month bridge sets.



PQIP Measurement Set



**2026
6-Month
Bridge**

2026 6-Month Bridge PQIP Measures

1. Gateway Measure: Electronic Clinical Data System (ECDS)
2. Prenatal Immunization Status
3. Timely Prenatal Care Visit
4. Depression Screening at First Prenatal Visit
5. Timely Postpartum Care
6. Timely Assessments (Monitoring Measure Only)



1. Gateway Measure: ECDS

Measure Purpose

This measure supports the allowance of data exchange from provider Electronic Health Records to Partnership to capture clinical screenings, follow-up care, and outcomes.

Partnership partnered with DataLink (a qualified HEDIS data aggregator) who can pull a much larger scope of measures than what is currently required for the Perinatal QIP.

1. Gateway Measure: ECDS

Measure Requirements

DataLink contracting and successful extraction of data is a requirement for perinatal providers to receive incentive dollars. The gateway measure is a multi-step data exchange process that involves a Data Share Agreement or contract with DataLink and successful extraction of data. Some providers may have this completed between July 2024 and June 2026.

However, if a perinatal provider did not complete a contract and implementation with DataLink during the 2025-26 measurement period, they must complete all ***Implementation Phases*** and ***Participation Requirement Steps*** by **December 31, 2026**, to be eligible to receive their 2026 6-month bridge incentive payment.

1. Gateway Measure: ECDS

DataLink Participation Requirement Steps

Step 1: Notify the PQIP team at perinatalqip@partnershiphp.org of your parent organization's intention to sign a contract/data share agreement ****Required information needed is outlined in the FY2025/2026 Perinatal QIP specifications**

Step 2: Request a copy of the DataLink contract by emailing perinatalqip@partnershiphp.org. Send the signed contract to the DataLink Legal Team at legalnotice@datalinksoftware.com and perinatalqip@partnershiphp.org.

Step 3: Once the contract is received and approved, DataLink team will then coordinate onboarding meetings for all providers wanting to participate in the Perinatal QIP. Meetings will include the DataLink, HEDIS, and QIP teams.

1. Gateway Measure: ECDS

DataLink Implementation Phases

Phase 1: DataLink's interoperability specialist will coordinate outreach with providers to schedule discovery meetings with targeted providers. Discovery meetings will discuss connectivity, benefits of the data extraction, and the extraction process. Discovery meetings will include the QIP team, Partnership IT team, and the DataLink team.

Phase 2: DataLink's interoperability specialist will work one-on-one with each practice to set up the Data Generation and Data Upload via sFTP.

Phase 3: DataLink will parse and ingest the provider's Continuity of Care Documents (CCD) and create the output file for both quality and risk.

Phase 4: DataLink will deliver to Partnership via sFTP the output file for validation and processing.

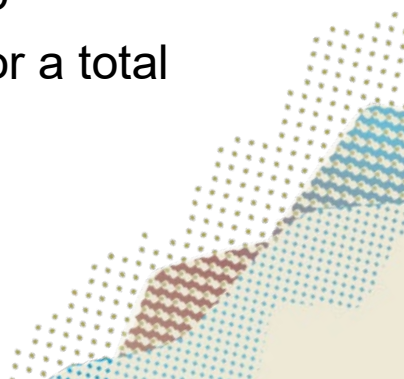
2. Prenatal Immunization Status

Measure Description

Pregnant members who had one dose of the tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis vaccine (TDaP) within 30 weeks before delivery date AND an influenza vaccine during pregnancy (i.e., within 40 weeks of delivery date) will be considered for incentive payment.

Incentive Amount

Providers can receive a financial incentive of \$37.50 for each Tdap vaccination and \$12.50 for each influenza vaccine administered, for a total potential \$50 for each member who received both vaccinations.



2. Prenatal Immunization Status

Reporting Requirement

Providers are not required to submit documents for this measure. Partnership will capture data from our claims system. The above immunizations must be provided and billed through claims.



3. Timely Prenatal Care Visits

Measure Summary

Timely prenatal care services rendered to pregnant Partnership members in the first trimester, as defined as [less than 14 weeks of gestation](#), or within 42 days of enrollment in the organization.

Incentive Amount \$100

Providers can receive a \$100 incentive for the first timely visit for each patient, with all required elements completed.

SECURE Submissions

Participating providers submit a monthly (by the 10th day following each reporting month) attestation template via SECURE email indicating services provided at reported visit. One new template has been created for this measurement year.

Prenatal care submissions must be sent securely to the PQIP inbox at: perinatalqip@partnershiphp.org



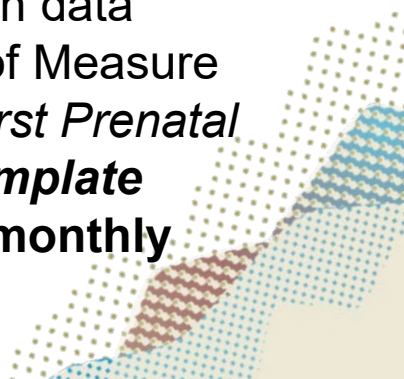
Measure Three and Four Data Submission Options

Option 1: Monthly DataLink Extractions

PQIP providers must have an active connection with DataLink and have successfully completed the extraction process to utilize this option. Counts of qualifying prenatal visits will be gathered through the DataLink extraction process. Partnership reserves the right to periodically request manual submissions to validate extracted data.

Option 2: Monthly Manual Submissions

If a provider is not yet connected with DataLink or an issue arises with data extraction, manual submissions will be accepted. For consideration of Measure 3, *Timely Prenatal Visit*, and Measure 4, *Depression Screening at First Prenatal Visit*, practices are to submit the **Partnership PQIP Submission Template** found on the PQIP webpage under the Submission Templates header, **monthly (by the 10th calendar day following each reporting month)**.

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Measure Three and Four Data Submission Options

Submissions should be securely emailed to the PQIP team at perinatalqip@partnershiphp.org. All submitted attestation forms are subject to audit by Partnership. Submission templates must be complete, and missing data could result in a reduction of incentive dollars. Member submissions containing empty fields will not earn incentive credit.



Submission Corrections Process

Submission corrections must be sent in the monthly submission template and provide a written notice in the body of the submission email. Incomplete submissions will be returned for correction and resubmission. Upon notification, providers are required to send a SECURE resubmission email within **five** business days to perinatalqip@partnershiphp.org.



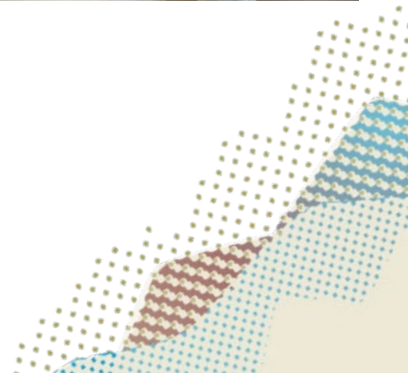
4. Depression Screening at First Prenatal Visit With Late Entry to Care (≥ 14 weeks Gestation)

Measure Summary

Prenatal care services rendered to pregnant Partnership members after the first trimester, defined as **equal to or greater than 14 weeks of gestation** that include documentation of depression screening.

Incentive Amount \$25

Providers can receive a \$25 incentive per patient entering care for the first time at ≥ 14 weeks gestation (must include a depression screening).



4. Depression Screening at First Prenatal Visit With Late Entry to Care (≥ 14 weeks Gestation)

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5. Timely Postpartum Visits

Measure Summary

Two timely postpartum care services rendered to Partnership members with one occurring within 21 days after delivery and the other occurring between 22 and 84 days after delivery.

Measurement Period

April 7, 2026, to October 7, 2026: Index period by which women with live births are identified.

Incentive Amount

- \$25 for first postpartum visit
- \$50 for second visit, totaling \$75 per member



5. Timely Postpartum Visits

Reporting

Data will be extracted from Partnership's claims system. Summary reports will be produced quarterly and emailed to providers to inform them of what has been received. Providers should expect to receive final statements and payments by the end of November.



6. Timely Assessments (Monitoring Measure)

Measure Summary

During the 2026 measurement year, Partnership will be monitoring claims data looking for members receiving Comprehensive Health Assessment from the PHPS programs of psychosocial, nutritional, and behavioral health assessment at the initiation of care, in each trimester, and in the postpartum period.

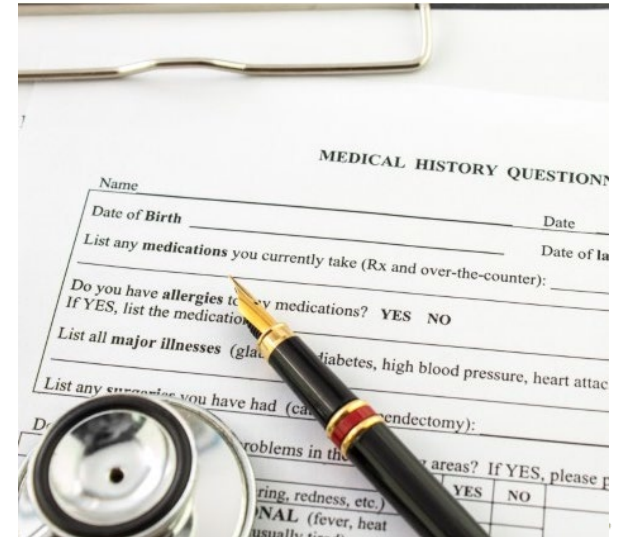
This measure is a monitoring-only measure, without any incentive dollars attached to the measure. It may be developed into an incentive measure in future years. Summary reports will be produced quarterly and emailed to providers to inform them of what has been received.



6. Timely Assessments (Monitoring Measure)

Reporting

There is no reporting from providers required. Data will be extracted from Partnership's claims system for the codes under Comprehensive Health Education Services that reflect initial and follow-up health education assessments, treatment, and care plans.



Measure Guidance

Providers should use the following Z Codes from the Comprehensive Health Education Services category of Perinatal Services:

- **Z6500:** Initial Comprehensive nutrition, psychosocial, and health education assessments and development of care plan. Or utilization of the following individual assessment codes:
- **Z6402:** Initial health education assessment and development of care plan, individual initial 30 minutes.
- **Z6406:** Follow-up antenatal psychosocial assessment/treatment/intervention, individual. This code is billed in 15 minutes increments and can be used up to 72 times in pregnancy.
- **Z6414:** Post partum health education assessment/treatment/intervention, individual.

Measure Guidance

Follow-Up Assessment Codes:

- Z6204: Follow-up antepartum nutrition assessment, treatment, and/or intervention; individual, each 15 minutes
- Z6304: Follow-up antepartum psychosocial assessment, treatment, and/or intervention; individual, each 15 minutes
- Z6406: Follow-up antepartum health education assessment, treatment, and/or intervention; individual, each 15 minutes

Postpartum Assessment Codes:

- Z6208: Postpartum nutrition assessment, treatment, and/or intervention, including development of care plan; individual, each 15 minutes
- Z6308: Postpartum psychosocial assessment, treatment, and/or intervention, including development of care plan; individual, each 15 minutes
- Z6414: Postpartum health education assessment / treatment / intervention; individual.



Contact Us

Visit our website: [PartnershipHP.org](https://www.partnershiphp.org)

PQIP Webpage:

<https://www.partnershiphp.org/Providers/Quality/Pages/Perinatal-QIP.aspx>

Measurement Set Specifications Page:

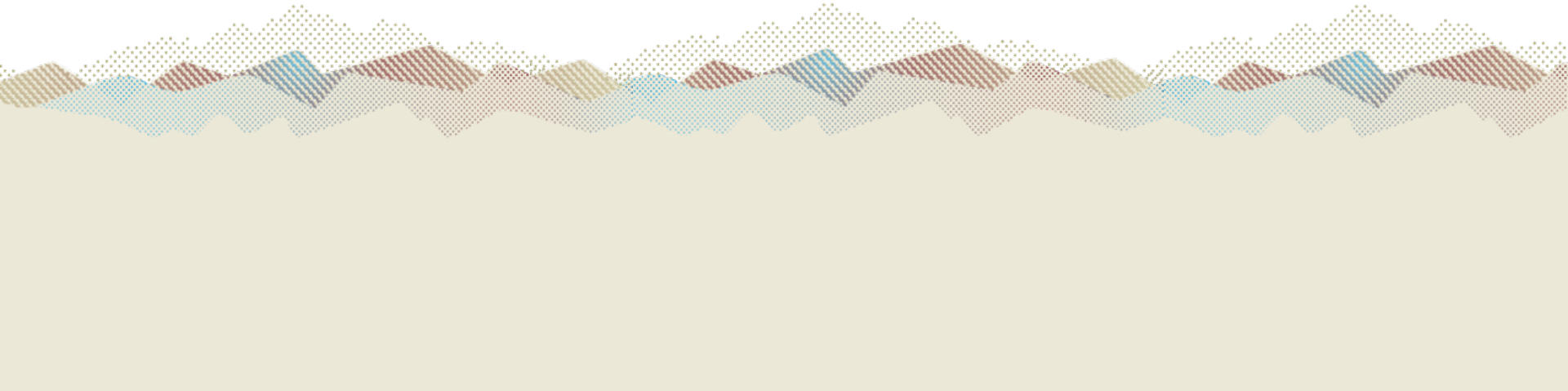
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Email us: PerinatalQIP@partnershiphp.org

Perinatal QIP Team:

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Questions?



Thank You

Thank you for attending.

A link to today's recording will be sent out via email.



Resources

The following resources are also found within the 2026 6-Month Perinatal QIP Measure Set, which you can download [here](#).

Intimate Partner Violence Screening Tools

<u>Instruments for IPV Screening</u>	
Tool	Positive Finding
Humiliation, Afraid, Rape, Kick (HARK)	Total Score ≥ 1
Hurt, Insult, Threaten, Scream (HITS)	Total Score > 10
Extended–Hurt, Insult, Threaten, Scream (E-HITS)	Total Score ≥ 7
Partner Violence Screen (PVS)	One “Yes”
Woman Abuse Screening Tool (WAST)	Total Score > 5

Approved Depression Screening Tools

Instruments for Adolescents (12–17 years)

Tool	Positive Finding
Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9)®	Total Score ≥5
Patient Health Questionnaire Modified for Teens (PHQ-9M)®	Total Score ≥5
PRIME MD-PHQ2®	Total Score ≥3
Beck Depression Inventory-Fast Screen (BDI-FS)®*	Total Score ≥4
Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression Scale-Revised (CESD-R)	Total Score ≥10
Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS)	Total Score ≥9
PROMIS Depression	Total Score ≥52.5

Instruments for Adults (18+ years)

Tool	Positive Finding
Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9)®	Total Score ≥5
PRIME MD-PHQ2®	Total Score ≥3
Beck Depression Inventory-Fast Screen (BDI-FS)®*	Total Score ≥4
Beck Depression Inventory (BDI-II)	Total Score ≥14
Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression Scale-Revised (CESD-R)	Total Score ≥10
Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS)	Total Score ≥9
My Mood Monitor (M-3)®	Total Score ≥5
PROMIS Depression	Total Score ≥52.5

Timely Postpartum Care Compliant Documentation

Documentation in the medical record must include a note indicating the date when a postpartum visit occurred and the following:

- Date of delivery and live birth confirmation
- A complete postpartum visit that includes all of the following:
 - Weight, blood pressure, and evaluation of the abdomen and breasts.
 - Notation of “normal” / “abnormal” components of a medically necessary physical exam
 - Notation of abdominal exam as: “normal” / “abnormal” or “not clinically indicated”
 - Notation of “breastfeeding” is acceptable for the “evaluation of breasts” component
- Depression screening using one of the approved tools at each visit
- Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening using a validated tool
- The provider also attests that the following evaluation occurred:
 - Evaluation of lactation (if breastfeeding)
 - Discussion of family planning

Timely Prenatal Care Elements

For each submitted timely prenatal care visit, the submitting provider is **attesting** that a diagnosis of pregnancy is present and the completion of the following:

- A note indicating the date when prenatal care visits occurred
- Weight (lbs.) and Blood Pressure
- Documentation of estimated due date (EDD) and gestational age in weeks
- Comprehensive physical/obstetrical exam including weight, blood pressure **AND one** of the following:
 - Auscultation for fetal heart tone
 - Pelvic exam with obstetric observations
 - Measurement of fundus height (standardized prenatal flow sheet may be used)
 - Ultrasound
- Assessment of a complete medical and social history including but not limited to:
 - History of gestational diabetes
 - Use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco during pregnancy
 - C-section prior to the pregnancy
 - Issues with previous pregnancy
- Depression screening using one of the approved tools
- Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening using a validated tool

Partnership Growing Together and Care Coordination

Growing Together Program (GTP)

- Focus: Health education and access to services for all members
- Prenatal and postpartum outreach from Partnership to members
- Refer ALL pregnant, postpartum members, and members/families < 24 months

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Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

PopHealthOutreach@partnershiphp.org



Partnership Growing Together Program

Member education and engagement through targeted outreach

Member Engagement

- Phone call check ins
 - Prenatal up to three
 - Postpartum up to two
 - Healthy Babies up to 30 months of age
- Perinatal incentives - \$25 x 2 and \$50 x 2
 - TDAP vaccine
 - Flu vaccine
 - Postpartum exams before 84 days
- Case management follow-up as needed
 - At-risk members
 - At-risk babies





Partnership Growing Together Program



Healthy Baby incentives - \$25 x 4

- Two Well Child visits before three months
- Two Well Child visits between four to six months
- Two Well Child visits between nine to 15 months **NEW**
- Two Well Child visits between 15 to 30 months **NEW**
- Incentive - \$100 gift card **NEW**
 - For receiving all required immunizations, including two flu shots, on time by 24 months. Record verification is required.