

Understanding Measurement Periods

In Your EQUIPP® Dashboard

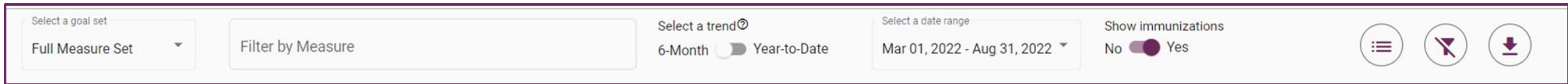


Objectives

- Review the two primary measurement periods hosted with your EQUIPP® dashboard
- Review the differences between measurement periods related to:
 - Interpreting performance scores
 - Identifying Patient Outliers
 - Reviewing the Quality Improvement Programs table

EQUIPP® Data Measurement Periods

- The performance scores EQUIPP® are calculated using the measure specifications indicated for the measurement period as shown in the top filter bar of the EQUIPP® dashboard (listed as **“Select a Trend,” “Select a Date Range,” and “Show Immunizations”**).

A screenshot of the EQUIPP dashboard's top filter bar. It contains several interactive elements: a dropdown menu for 'Select a goal set' with 'Full Measure Set' selected; a text input field for 'Filter by Measure'; a 'Select a trend' section with a radio button for '6-Month' and a toggle switch for 'Year-to-Date'; a 'Select a date range' dropdown showing 'Mar 01, 2022 - Aug 31, 2022'; a 'Show immunizations' toggle switch currently set to 'No'; and three circular icons on the right for menu, filter, and download.

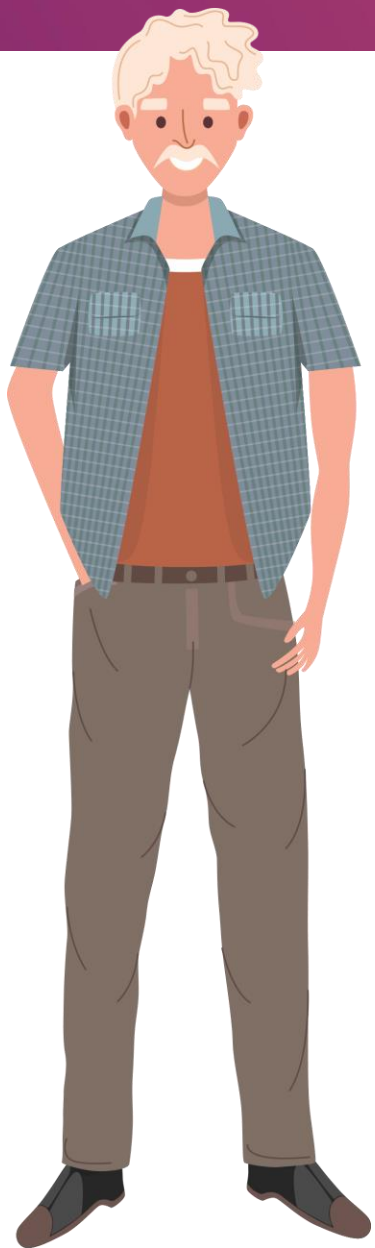
EQUIPP® hosts the following measurement periods:

Rolling 6-Month

- Pharmacy claims adjudicated monthly will be attributed to eligible quality measures every month continuously for the participating pharmacy
- Example: Diabetes PDC measure for the June 2022 – November 2022 period includes performance data in the pharmacy from June 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022

Year–To–Date (Now Default View in EQUIPP®)

- Pharmacy claims data is represented in this measurement period annually and will continue to update each EQUIPP® data refresh
- 91-days of pharmacy claims data must be included to see performance for this trend period
- Example: Diabetes PDC measure for the Jan 2022 – November 2022 consists of performance from January 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022



Adherence Example: Rolling 6-Month Period

- John Smith is a 70-year-old patient that fills his prescription for atorvastatin at your pharmacy. On January 19th he fills his first prescription of the year for the medication, a 30-day fill. Over the next few months John has additional 30-day fills on February 20th, April 1st and May 12th.
- Calculated adherence using the Proportion of Days Covered methodology for the January 2022 – June 2022 period:
 - Denominator = 163 Days (January 19th, 2022 through June 30th, 2022)
 - Numerator = 120 Days (30 days (January 19th fill) + 30 days (February 20th fill) + 30 days (April 1st fill) + 30 days (May 12th fill))
 - PDC Score = 73.6%
$$\frac{\text{Numerator (120 Days)}}{\text{Denominator (163 Days)}} * 100\% = \mathbf{73.6\%}$$

Adherence Example: Year-to-Date

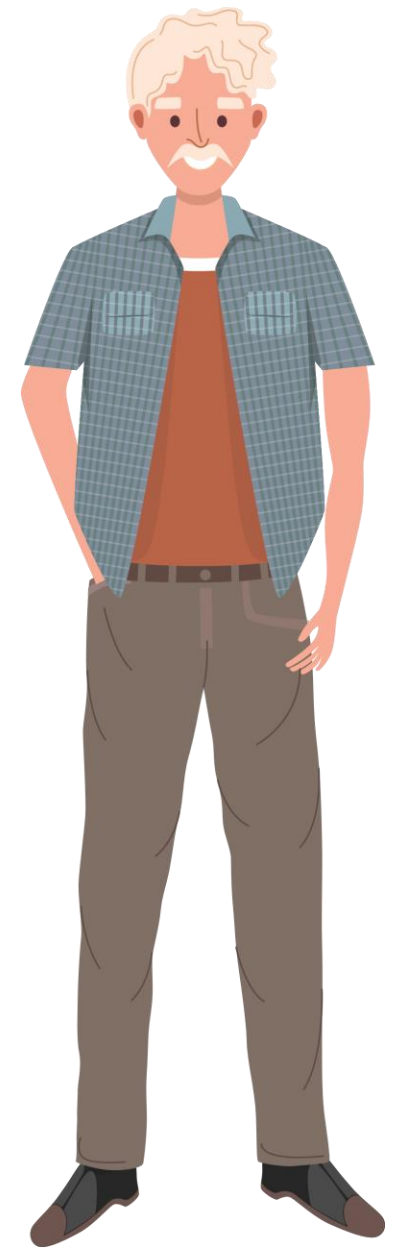
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- Calculated adherence using the Proportion of Days Covered methodology for the January 2022 – December 2022 period:
 - Denominator = 347 Days (January 19th through December 31st)
 - Numerator = 292 Days (30 days (January 19th fill) + 30 days (February 20th fill) + 30 days (April 1st fill) + 30 days (May 12th fill) + 30 days (July 3rd fill) + 30 days (August 3rd fill) + 30 days (September 6th fill) + 30 days (October 7th fill) + 30 days (November 7th fill) + 22 days (December 10th fill – the days supply is capped at Dec 31st as that is the end of the measurement period))
 - PDC Score = 84.1%
$$\frac{\text{Numerator (292 Days)}}{\text{Denominator (347 Days)}} * 100\% = \mathbf{84.1\%}$$

Adherence Examples Considerations

- The example for John Smith displays John as non-adherent for the rolling 6-Month trend period
- John would appear adherent for the last few months of the calendar year which would have him appear as adherent for a full measurement year evaluation
- In reviewing the Year-to-Date adherence scores, the pharmacy can see John's scores improve over time and that he fills his medication more frequently and leads to overall improvements
- Utilizing the rolling 6-month adherence scores can assist in identifying areas for necessary intervention over a shorter period
- Trend periods in EQUIPP can support efforts for pharmacies wanting to achieve specific goals for their patients

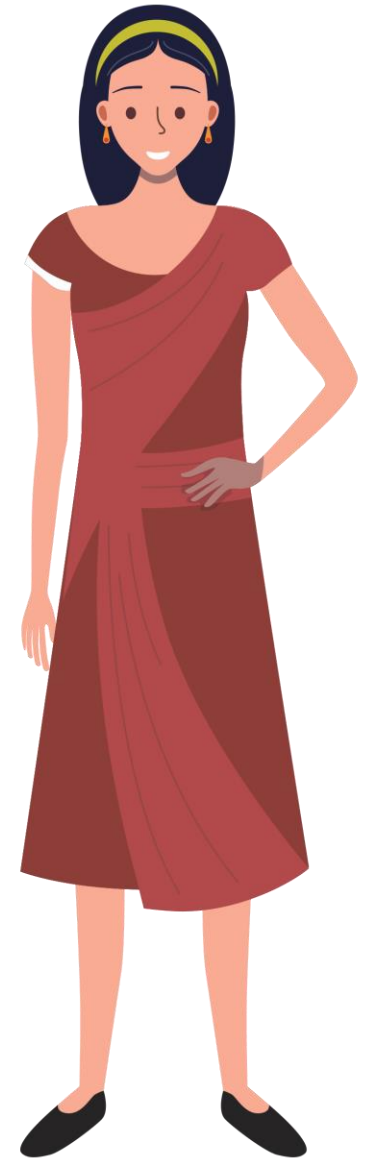


Statin Use in Persons with Diabetes: Rolling 6-Month period

Linda Jones is a 45-year-old patient with diabetes that fills metformin and glyburide at her local pharmacy. Ms. Jones began to receive her diabetes medications on February 24th, 2022, but did ***not receive a statin therapy during the Rolling 6-Month measurement period.***

Review of the Statin Use in Diabetes score for Linda Jones on a six-month timeframe from January 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022:

- Because Linda has two or more fills of an eligible diabetes medication and is between the age of 40 and 75, she is included for evaluation of this measure
- The intent of the measure, is to evaluate if eligible patients have received a statin during the measurement period (January 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022)
- Since Ms. Jones did not receive a statin, she does not meet the numerator criteria for the Statin Use in Diabetes measure – she would display as an *outlier* in EQUIPP



Statin Use in Persons with Diabetes: Year-to-Date

Linda Jones is a 45-year-old patient with diabetes that fills metformin and glyburide at her local pharmacy. Ms. Jones begins to receive her diabetes medications on February 24th, 2022. ***On August 1st, Ms. Jones filled a prescription for lovastatin.***

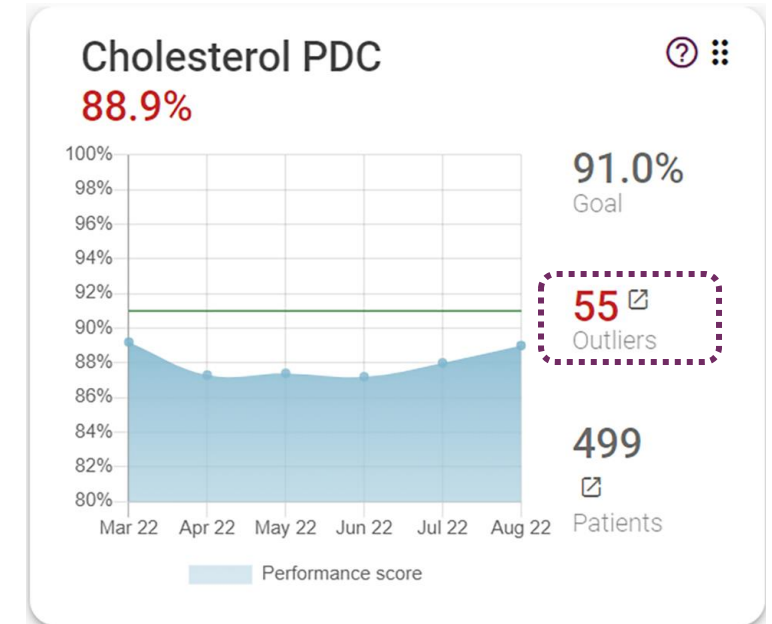


Review of the measure performance of Linda Jones on a Year-to-Date timeframe from January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022:

- Linda has two or more fills of an eligible diabetes medication and is between the age of 40 and 75 - she is included to be evaluated in the Statin Use in Persons with Diabetes measure
- Because she has filled a prescription for a statin therapy during the measurement period, she meets the intent of the measure and is included in the numerator
- **NOTE:** Only a single fill is required for the patient to meet the intent of this quality measure

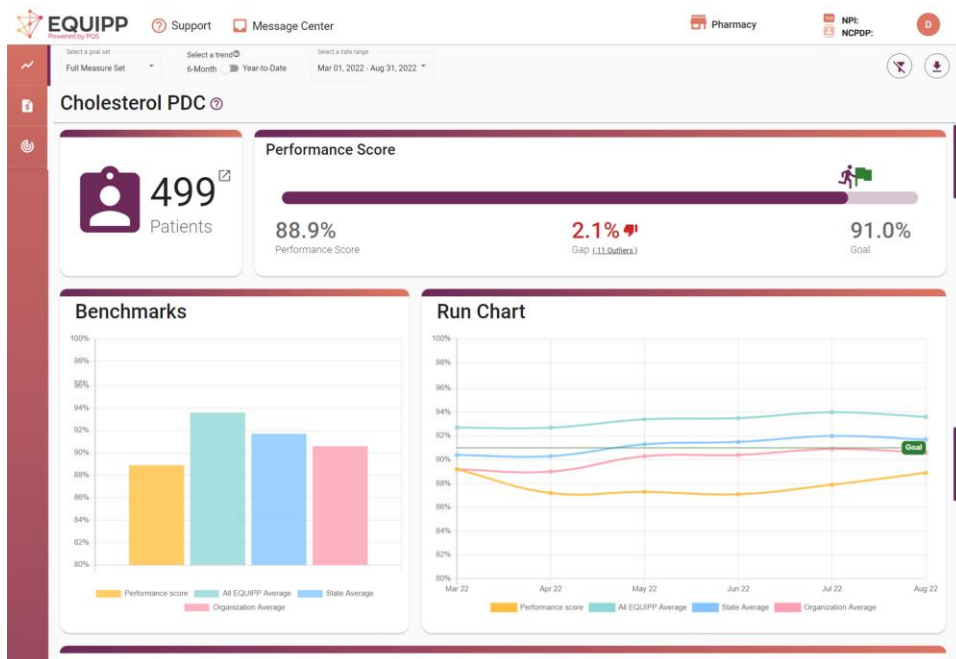
EQUIPP® Patient Outliers

- Outliers are patients who are not meeting the intent of the quality measure (e.g., not adherent) they are attributed to
- Patient Outlier reports provide a list of patients who are adversely impacting or may adversely impact your quality measure performance now or in the future for measures hosted in EQUIPP®
- Patient outliers are calculated by PQS and data providers monthly, however, some health plan partners provide updates as often as weekly
- Addressing patient outliers by creating targeted goals with your pharmacy staff can lead to quality measure performance improvement
- **NOTE:** Some measure specifications and minimum requirements for evaluation, may *not* display patients in the Rolling 6-Month Trend Period

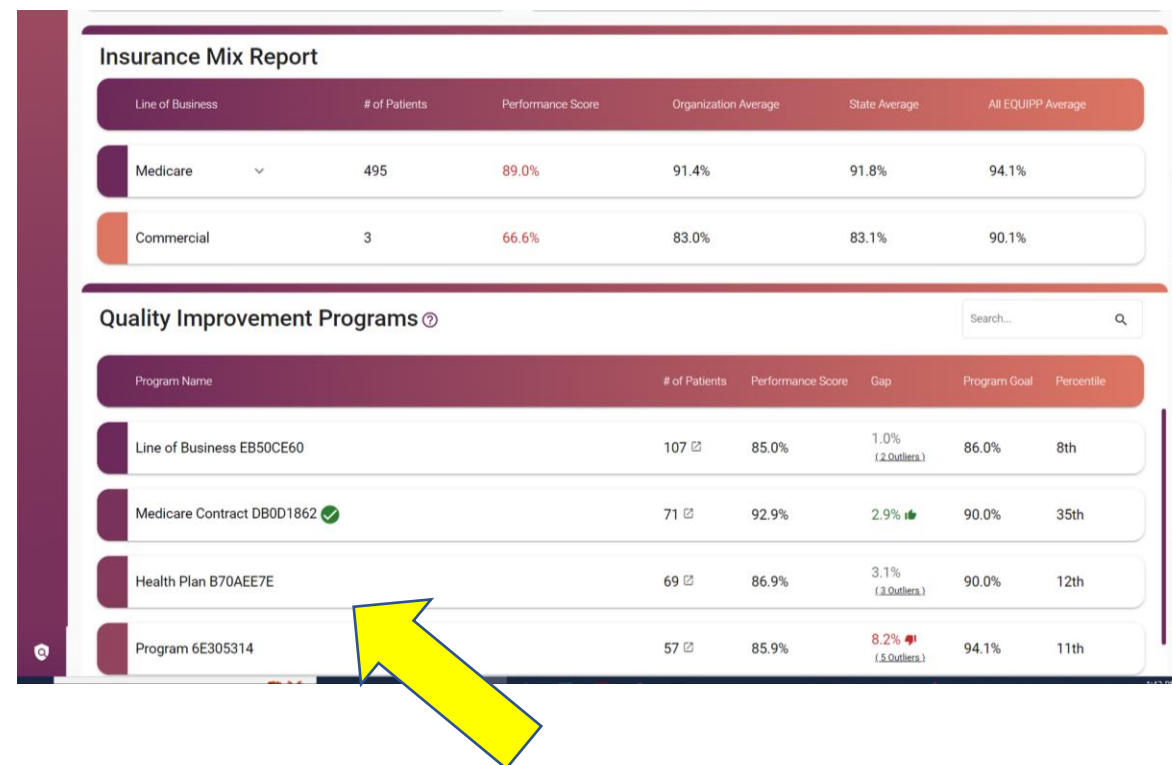


Be sure to review the EQUIPP® Support link for an up-to-date listing of EQUIPP® outlier types and providers.

Quality Improvement Programs



Clicking on the measure performance screen will allow you to access the Insurance Mix report and Quality Improvement Programs at the bottom of the page



QIP table tracks performance for specific health plans and improvement programs. Displayed is a pharmacy's current performance for each health plan that has elected to share their plan-specific performance.

Quality Improvement Programs

Quality Improvement Programs ?	4	5	6	7	8
Program Name	# of Patients	Performance Score	Gap	Program Goal	Percentile
Line of Business EB50CE60	107	85.0%	1.0% (2 Outliers)	86.0%	8th
Medicare Contract DB0D1862	71	92.9%	2.9%	90.0%	35th
Health Plan B70AEE7E	69	86.9%	3.1% (3 Outliers)	90.0%	12th
Program 6E305314	57	85.9%	8.2% (5 Outliers)	94.1%	11th

1. Program Name - name of Quality Improvement or P4P program at contract level
2. Hover over the program name for detail including plan sponsor
3. Performance Score - your pharmacy's performance score
 1. Green - maximum program performance attained
 2. Gray - minimum program performance attained, room for improvement exists
 3. Red - minimum program performance for program not met
4. # of Patients - total number of patients in the program for your pharmacy

5. Gap - percentage point from goal / goal is met
6. Program Goal - goals specific to that program and the measure displayed
7. Percentile Rank - compares your pharmacy to overall aggregate of those in program (calculated if your pharmacy has more than 10 patients for the program)

For More Information

- Visit the FAQ tab of your EQUIPP® dashboard for more definitions and specifics that you should be able to view
- Utilize the EQUIPP® Support link at the top right-hand corner of your dashboard to submit questions to the EQUIPP® team
- Be sure to discuss with your organization what strategies are being used to improve quality scores and what opportunities to work with managed care programs are available to your pharmacy
- Watch the EQUIPP® Educational Video on “Calculating Medication Adherence Based on Proportion of Days Covered”
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gF3VK55iCto>