



AmeriHealth Caritas[™]
District of Columbia

To: AmeriHealth Caritas DC Primary Care Providers
Date: June 6, 2017
Subject: **Changes to HEDIS® Immunization for Adolescents (IMA) measure**

Summary: AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia (DC) reminds providers to conduct all necessary adolescent immunizations based on Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®), health plan guidelines and standards of care.

Background:

HEDIS® consists of a set of performance measures utilized by more than 90 percent of American health plans that compare how well a plan performs in areas of quality of care, access to care, and member satisfaction.

Action Needed:

In order to improve the quality of care our members – your patients – receive, we ask that PCPs provide the recommended immunizations for all (male and female) adolescents.

- **Meningococcal** - At least one meningococcal conjugate vaccine with a date of service on or between the 11th and 13th birthdays.

***NOTE** – meningococcal polysaccharide vaccines are no longer recommended.*

- **Tdap** - At least one tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine with a date of service on or between the 10th and 13th birthdays.

***NOTE** – tetanus/diphtheria toxoids (Td) are no longer recommended.*

- **HPV** - At least three HPV vaccines with different dates of service on or between the 9th and 13th birthdays.

Questions:

If you have questions about this communication, please contact your AmeriHealth Caritas DC Provider Account Executive or Provider Services at 1-202-408-2237 or 1-888-656-2383.