



## **AAO20: Tympanostomy Tubes: Comprehensive Audiometric Evaluation**

**High Priority Status:** No / N/A

**NQF Number:** N/A

### **Measure Description:**

Percentage of patients aged 6 months through 12 years with a diagnosis of otitis media with effusion (OME) who received tympanostomy tube insertion and received a comprehensive audiometric evaluation within 6 months prior to tympanostomy tube insertion.

### **Instructions:**

This measure is to be submitted a minimum of **once per performance period** for patients diagnosed with OME who undergo tympanostomy tube insertion during the measurement period. This measure may be submitted by clinicians based on the services provided and the measure-specific denominator coding.

### **Denominator:**

All patients aged 6 months through 12 years with a diagnosis of OME who received tympanostomy tube insertion.

### **Denominator Note:**

To meet the denominator criteria, a patient must have been diagnosed with OME AND have undergone tympanostomy tube insertion within the performance period.

### **Denominator Exclusions:**

None

### **Numerator:**

Patients who received a comprehensive audiometric evaluation within 6 months prior to tympanostomy tube insertion.

### **Numerator Note:**

To meet the intent of the measure, documentation is required that a comprehensive audiometric evaluation was performed within 6 months before tympanostomy tube insertion. Comprehensive audiometric evaluation is typically performed by an audiologist, but the specific methods will vary with the age of the child.

### **Denominator Exceptions:**

Patient or caregiver(s) refusal of hearing test.

### **Measure Classifications:**

Submission Pathway: Traditional MIPS

Measure Type: Process

National Quality Strategy (NQS) domain: Effective Clinical Care

Meaningful Measures Area: Appropriate Use of Healthcare

Care Setting(s): Ambulatory Care: Clinician Office/Clinic

Includes Telehealth: No

Number of Performance Rates: 1

Inverse measure: No

Continuous measure: No  
Proportional measure: Yes  
Ratio measure: No  
Risk Adjusted measure: No

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