

System Domain 1: Identification, Screening, Assessment, and Referral

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Identification

1 The state system should have a definition for CYSHCN.

2 Upon enrollment and transfer between insurance coverage (e.g., public and private), a mechanism for identifying CYSHCN is in place.

Screening

3 CYSHCN receive periodic, developmentally appropriate, and recommended comprehensive screenings according to the Bright Futures guidelines.

4 Screening results are documented and coordinated with the medical home.

5 State newborn screening information is delivered to providers and parents in a timely fashion, and arrangements for necessary follow-up services are documented. If indicated, repeat screening results and follow-up are communicated by the hospital or state program to the newborn's health plan, medical home, and specialty providers.

6 The child's health plan and medical home have a documented plan and process to demonstrate follow-up with a hospital or state health department when newborn screening results are not received.

Assessment

7 CYSHCN are provided a documented initial health assessment within 90 days of enrollment in a health plan.

8 Screening efforts, results, and referrals for further assessment are documented and coordinated with the child's medical home and health plan.

Referral/Follow-up

9 Following a screening and assessment, CYSHCN are referred to needed services including pediatric specialists, therapies, and other service systems.

10 Protocols and documentation methods are in place for the child's medical home to follow-up with the child and family to ensure referred services were accessed and to provide any assistance in accessing needed care, regardless of the original entity conducting a screening and referral.

How has this domain been used?

About 50% of surveyed Title V officials, and more than 60% of the surveyed Medicaid officials, indicated that this domain was one of the most useful domains of the National Standards for CYSHCN.

Examples of how states have used this domain:

Alabama has used the Identification, Screening, Assessment and Referral Domain when updating the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment screenings to meet the Bright Futures Alabama recommendations.

New Mexico used this domain in creating a clear definition for CYSHCN.

Louisiana used this domain to improve its developmental screening quality measures for CYSCHN.

Aligned Quality Measures

Percent of missed [newborn screening] cases, reported by disorder.

Pediatric Medical Complexity Algorithm.

Screening Quality Measures:

Assessment of parent concerns about child learning, development, and behavior, and provision of specific information for parents with concerns (composite).

Provision of written or other types of health information to parents on caring for their child, preventing injuries, and ensuring optimal development (composite).

Developmental screening in the first three years of life. Lead screening in children.

Referral Quality Measures:

Follow-up for children at risk of developmental, behavioral, or social delays (composite).

Refer (child) to another doctor or other health provider? Follow-up with patient's family after developmental screening.

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General Quality Measures:

Percent of disorders detected by newborn screening with a confirmed diagnosis by an appropriate medical professional.