Alignment on HCV Measures Worksheet
Bree Collaborative Hep C Workgroup
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Potential Metrics Recommendations

1. Screening for HCV
   - Metric for percent population screened for HCV to aligns with USPTF recommendations for screening and help meet indicators from CDC and WHO
   **From CMS: One Time Screening for HCV**
   
   Percentage of patients age >= 18 years who received one-time screening for *hepatitis C virus (HCV)* infection
   
   **Numerator:** Patients who received a one-time screening for HCV infection
   
   **Denominator:** All patients >= 18 years of age who had at least one preventive visit OR were seen at least twice within the 12-month reporting period.
   
   **Denominator exceptions:** Documentation of medical reason(s) for not receiving one-time screening for HCV infection (e.g., decompensated cirrhosis indicating advanced disease [i.e., ascites, esophageal variceal bleeding, hepatic encephalopathy], hepatocellular carcinoma, waitlist for organ transplant, limited life expectancy, other medical reasons) OR Documentation of patient reason(s) for not receiving one-time screening for HCV infection (e.g., patient declined, other patient reasons)

2. Treatment for HCV
   - Metric for percent population with HCV started on treatment (aligns with WHO coverage indicators and CDC goals for reduction in morbidity and mortality)
   
   % of patients with positive HCV RNA test who receive a prescription for DAA
   (data from all-payer claims database or pharmaceutical data)

**How to Create Alignment:**

- Recommend HCV metrics to Performance Measures Coordinating Committee.
  - Choose metrics to recommend, or several to bring forward for discussion.
  - Decide on a steward for the metrics who will attend discussions with the PMCC (either the DOH or the Bree)
  - The PMCC meets quarterly and determines need to convene ad hoc workgroups on specific topics. Next meeting will likely be held in August.
- Recommend as a voluntary quality metric for health plans, or as a potential quality metric for value-based payment.