

## Adherence to Antipsychotic Medication for Individuals with Schizophrenia - SAA

Intent: Assess the percentage of members with schizophrenia who were dispensed appropriate medication and remained on it for at least 80% of their treatment period.

Age: 19-64 years of age

Product Lines: Commercial, Medicaid, HARP

Timeframe: Prescription start date to December 31 of measurement year

**At a minimum for compliance, SAA documentation requires the following components:**

- Member was prescribed an antipsychotic medication
- Clear documentation of adherence for at least 80% of the treatment period

**How to submit compliant data:**

Encounters/claims and pharmacy data

**Tips and Recommendations**

- Educate members on the importance of staying on the medication.
- Encourage members to verbalize possible reasons for noncompliance. Together, explore ways to reduce them.
- Consider a 90-day prescription, when appropriate.
- Maintain open communication between with behavioral health providers to coordinate care.