

# Statin use in patients with Cardiovascular Disease (SPC)

## Provider reference guide

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has implemented a Part C measure that was developed by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) for statin use in patients with cardiovascular disease. This reference guide offers details to help you manage your patients' care.

### How is SPC Measure fulfilled?

- At least one dispensed prescription of a moderate- or high-intensity statin medication. Note that PCSK9 inhibitors and other non-statin cholesterol medications do not satisfy the measure.
- Patients assessed: Males age 21-75 and females age 40-75 with clinical atherosclerotic disease (ASCVD). Representative diagnoses are included in the table below:

Included in SPC denominator	
Patients diagnosed with Ischemic Vascular Disease (IVD) through one of the following methods in both the measurement year and year prior: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• One outpatient visit with IVD diagnosis</li><li>• One acute inpatient encounter with IVD diagnosis</li></ul>	Patients who experienced one or more of the following events in the prior year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Myocardial Infarction (MI)</li><li>• Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG)</li><li>• Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI)</li><li>• Revascularization</li></ul>

Patients not assessed: Patients in hospice at any time during the measurement year, those aged 66+ with frailty and advanced illness or enrolled in LTC or an I-SNP. Other patients excluded are listed in the table below (please note that generic documentation such as "statin intolerance, cannot take statins, or reaction to statins" does not meet documentation requirements from CMS): (see attached table)

**Excluded from SPC denominator – exclusions must be captured yearly, unless noted otherwise**

Description	Prescription
Muscular Adverse Effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• G72.0 – Drug induced myopathy</li> <li>• G72.2 – Myopathy due to other toxic agents</li> <li>• G72.9 – Myopathy, unspecified</li> <li>• M60.80 – Other myositis, unspecified</li> <li>• M60.9 – Myositis, unspecified</li> <li>• M62.82 – Rhabdomyolysis</li> <li>• M79.10 – Myalgia, unspecified</li> <li>• M79.18 – Myalgia, other site</li> </ul>
Cirrhosis (measurement year or year prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• K70.30 – Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver without ascites</li> <li>• K70.31 – Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver with ascites</li> <li>• K71.7 – Toxic Liver Disease with fibrosis and cirrhosis of liver</li> <li>• K74.3 – Primary biliary cirrhosis</li> <li>• K74.4 – Secondary biliary cirrhosis</li> <li>• K74.5 – Biliary cirrhosis, unspecified</li> <li>• K74.6 – Unspecified cirrhosis of liver</li> <li>• K74.69 – Other cirrhosis of liver</li> <li>• P78.81 – Congenital cirrhosis (of liver)</li> </ul>
End Stage Renal Disease (measurement year or year prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N18.5 Chronic kidney disease, stage 5</li> <li>• N18.6 End stage renal disease</li> <li>• Z99.2 Dependence on renal dialysis</li> </ul>
Pregnancy (measurement year or year prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• O09.00 Supervision of pregnancy with history of infertility, unspecified trimester</li> <li>• O48.0 Post-term pregnancy</li> <li>• Z33.1 Pregnant state, incidental</li> <li>• Z34.00 Encounter for supervision of normal first pregnancy, unspecified trimester</li> </ul>
Palliative Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Z51.5 Encounter for Palliative Care</li> </ul>