

## Indicator Domain: UTILIZATION

### Indicator C.3. Preventive Services for Children at Elevated Caries Risk, Dental Services

Source: American Dental Association (ADA) on behalf of the Dental Quality Alliance (DQA)

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#### 1. Description

Percentage of enrolled children who are at “elevated” risk (i.e., “moderate” or “high”) who received a topical fluoride application and/or sealants within the reporting year

- **Numerator:** Unduplicated number of children at “elevated” risk (i.e., “moderate” or “high”) who received a topical fluoride application and/or sealants as a dental service
- **Denominator:** Unduplicated number of enrolled children at “elevated” risk (i.e., “moderate” or “high”)

#### 2. Framework Domain

##### Utilization

- Use of services: Provision and utilization of services by a group of individuals identified by enrollment in a health plan or through use of clinical services<sup>40</sup>

#### 3. Level of Reporting

This measure is intended to be used at a systems level, (e.g., Medicaid program level, dental plan level).

#### 4. Data Source

Administrative claims and enrollment data; single year (prior 3 years needed for risk determination). When using claims data to determine service receipt, include both paid and unpaid claims (including pending, suspended, and denied claims).

#### 5. Critical Data Elements

Enrollment Database	Claims Database
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Member ID</li><li>• Date of birth</li><li>• Enrollment start and end dates</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Member ID</li><li>• Date of service</li><li>• CDT codes</li><li>• National Uniform Claim Committee health care provider taxonomy codes</li></ul>

<sup>40</sup> National Quality Measures Clearinghouse. N.d. [Guidelines and Measures](#). [webpage].