



INHALE

Inspiring Health Advances in Lung Care

Monthly PO Update

01/8/24 & 1/10/24

Agenda

- Announcements & Updates
- MI Medicaid's Response to Flovent Discontinuation
- MTI
- VBR Timeline & Updates
- Lung Learning Labs Registration
- Upcoming Events & Important Dates
- Questions/Discussion



Announcements & Updates

- Welcome back, Karla!
 - Contact her at INHALE-support@med.umich.edu
- Resource bags requested at the Rochester Regional have shipped.



Flovent Discontinuation Update

- Email sent out to all PO's last week regarding Michigan Medicaid's Common Formulary response to Flovent Discontinuation
- Generic for Flovent HFA is being moved to co-preferred within the Glucocorticoid class along with the generics for Advair HFA and Advair Diskus within the Beta-Adrenergic and Corticosteroid Combination Inhaler class to co-preferred.
- **Effective 1/1/2024, update the Single PDL's Inhaled Glucocorticoid class - generic fluticasone propionate HFA (MDI) (generic for Flovent HFA) **ADDED to PREFERRED, PA=N.** Brand Flovent HFA product coding updated so the Brand is no longer Preferred over the generic.**
- **Effective 1/1/2024, update the Single PDL's Beta Adrenergic and Corticosteroid Combination Inhaler class - generic fluticasone/salmeterol (generics for Advair HFA and Advair Diskus, including the branded generic Wixela) **ADDED to PREFERRED; PA=N.** Brand Advair HFA and Advair Diskus product coding updated so the Brand is no longer Preferred over the generic.**



MTI Pilot Program Recruitment

- Reminders:
 - Recruitment will remain open through Q2 of 2024: If interested, please have the practices complete the [Site Profile Questionnaire](#)
 - MTI offers individualized information sessions. If interested, please contact Brad Cross at brad.cross@monitoredrx.com

INHALE INITIATIVE FOCUS

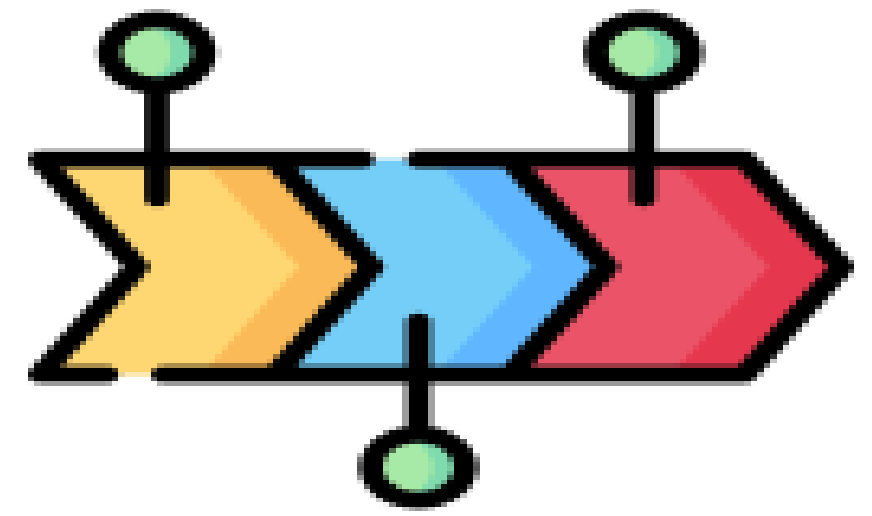


Spirometry

Improving access to and the appropriate use of spirometry as a tool to accurately diagnose both Asthma and COPD

VBR Timeline Updates

- Request from BCBSM to update VBR
- For 2025 VBR:
 - **Measurement Period: 1/1/2024 - 8/31/2024**
 - **Reimbursement Period:**
 - SCPs: 3/1/2025-2/28/2026
 - PCPs: 9/1/2025 - 8/31/2026
- For 2026 (and beyond) VBR
 - **Measurement Period: 9/1/2024 - 8/31/2025**
 - **Reimbursement Period:**
 - SCPs: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2027
 - PCPs: 9/1/2026 - 8/31/2027
- Alignment will help with more equitable payment timeline - SCPs previously had a 15-month lag for reimbursement, which will now be a 12-month lag
- Will honor those participation VBR activities that were completed prior to 1/1/24 towards the 2025 VBR
- Alignment of PCP and SCP measure timeline reduces administrative burden on INHALE and BCBSM and makes it easier for POs to track



VBR Updates (cont'd)



INHALE Adult and Pediatric Primary Care Physician (PCP) 2025 VBR Measures

Not a new requirement but added to the participation points

	Measure	Responsibility	Measurement Date	Target/Assessment	Points	Category
1.	Submit the names of Clinical Champion and Practice Liaison	Practice	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	Not Completed Completed	0 2	Participation
2.	Practice Clinical Champion attendance at Spring and Fall INHALE Regional Meetings	Practice Clinical Champion	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	No Attendance Attend 1 mtg Attend 2 mtgs	0 2 4	Participation
3.	PO Admin Leads, PO Clinical Champions, & PO Primary Contacts attend annual Collaborative Wide meeting	PO	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	No Attendance Attend	0 2	Participation
4.	All participating adult/peds PCPs in each practice attend 1 of 4 planned INHALE speaker sessions, live or on demand in 2024	Practice	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	<50% Attend 50%-80% Attend >80% Attend	0 1 2	Participation
5.	Complete Practice Resource Assessment survey	Practice	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	Not Completed Completed	0 2	Participation
6.	Practice Clinical Champion completes Inhaled Medication Learning Module on the INHALearning Platform	Practice Clinical Champion	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	Not Completed Completed	0 2	Participation
7.	BONUS Points: Complete one INHALE Engagement Activity: Case summary, resource library feedback, best practice document, patient experience feedback, Executive Committee nomination	Practice	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	Not Completed Completed	0 2	Participation
					Total	Possible pts: 16*
* The participation score must meet a threshold of 11/16 points to be considered for the INHALE VBR reward. PCMH designation is a requirement of any PCP VBR.						
2025 INHALE PCP VBR Performance Measure (this performance measure must be met to qualify for the VBR)						
8.	Pediatric asthma, adult asthma, and COPD patients ≥2yrs receiving Inhaler Education**	All Providers	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	5% Increase in patients receiving Inhaler Ed	5%	Performance
9.	Pediatric/adult asthma and COPD smokers ≥13yrs receiving tobacco cessation counseling [^]	All Providers	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	5% Increase in patients receiving TC counseling	2%	Performance
<p>**Participation requirements AND Inhaler education measures must be met to receive the total of 105% offered by INHALE.</p> <p>[^]Tobacco Cessation is an additional 2% which is in addition 5% offered by INHALE. The 2% VBR uplift is not additive, meaning that POs that already receive the VBR through another CQI (i.e. MiBAC) will not get an additional 2%.</p> <p>NOTE: Reimbursement occurs 9/1/2025-8/31/2026</p>						

VBR Updates (cont'd)



INHALE Adult and Pediatric Allergy/Immunology and Pulmonary Disease Specialty Care Physician (SCP) 2025 VBR Measures

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3.	PO Admin Leads, PO Clinical Champions, & PO Primary Contacts attend annual Collaborative Wide Meeting	PO	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	No Attendance Attend	0 2	Participation
4.	All participating adult/peds SCs in each practice attend 1 of 4 planned INHALE speaker sessions, live or on demand in 2024	Practice	01/01/2024 – 08/31/2024	<50% Attend 50%-80% Attend >80% Attend	0 1 2	Participation
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VBR Updates (cont'd)

- Activities completed in 4Q23 will count toward the 2025 VBR cycle
- Measurement year 2024 is the only year with a truncated timeline; 2025 (and beyond) will be a full year
 - ☐ Reimbursement for SCPs will begin:
 - 3/1/24 for participation/performance from 2023
 - 3/1/25 for participation/performance from 2024
 - ☐ Reimbursement for PCPs will begin:
 - 9/1/2024 for participation/performance from 2023
 - 9/1/2025 for participation/performance from 2024
- As CQIs mature, focus transitions from participation to performance which is reflective in VBR
- Tobacco cessation (TC) is an additive measure for a total of up to 107% if targets achieved:
 - INHALE participation + Inhaler Ed = 105%
 - Tobacco Cessation 102%
 - POs that already receive the VBR through another CQI (MiBAC, MCT2D, MiMIND, and/or INHALE) only receive a flat 2%
- Bonus point activities are an opportunity to achieve the point target
- VBR scorecards and FAQ posted on **INHALE website/ Members/VBR**

Lung Learning Labs – L3 Registration

Live Zoom Event Registration

- Pre-registration is required to attend the events; this is so we can better track attendance and CME.
- Registration can be done through our admin portal (link below), you do not need an account to register.
- <https://portal.mct2d.org/portal/events/inhale>
- After you are registered, you will receive a confirmation email with all the relevant details for each event that you registered for. Keep this email, it will include the zoom link for the live event.

CME – Beaumont

- CME will be offered for each event that is attended (4 hours total) and is available for AMA PRA Category 1, ANCC, ACPE and Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE).
- To claim your credit, a survey will be provided to you post event and you'll be asked to create an account in the Beaumont Portal (unless you already have one). From there you'll be instructed to attest that you attended the event. The CME credit will then be automatically applied to your credentials.

Live vs. Recorded Viewing

- Attendance to at least one session of the L3s is a VBR requirement for all **practice clinical champions** and all **PCPs and SCPs** currently participating in INHALE.
- If you are unable to attend one of the four live sessions, they will be recorded and available on the INHALEarning education platform in early spring.
 - As a reminder, activities must be met by 8/31/2024 to receive your VBR payment.
- A post session survey will be distributed or available in the learning platform, completion of the survey will automatically mark this requirement as met in the admin portal.


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INHALE
presents
LUNG LEARNING LABS

Starting in January 2024, INHALE will be offering a monthly educational speaker series via zoom. Providers will learn about various topics from leading lung health experts.

As a reminder, the Lung Learning Labs are a requirement for value-based reimbursement. Each **practice clinical champion** and **all recruited physicians** (PCPs and SCPs) must attend **at least one** session, live or on demand in 2024, to receive points towards your VBR. Pre-registration is required for the live events and will open in the admin portal this month. CME will be offered for each attended event.


COPD Updates
January 18th
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)




Dr. Jill Ohar is a professor of pulmonary, critical care, allergy, and immunologic medicine at Wake Forest Baptist Health in North Carolina. She was named medical director for respiratory care, pulmonary function lab and pulmonary rehab at Wake Forest's Lexington location in 2017. Dr. Ohar has conducted research with the CDC, making strides in COPD.

Dr. Njira Lugogo, Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, is the Division of Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine's Asthma Program Director at University of Michigan. She formerly served as the Medical Director of the Duke Asthma Allergy and Airway Center and Director of the Asthma Clinical Trials Group and Pulmonary Clinical Research Unit. She joined UofM's Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine faculty in 2017 and currently serves as the Program Director of INHALE.

Biologics in Severe Asthma
February 22nd
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)




Lung Volume Reduction
March 14th
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)



Dr. Momen Wahidi serves as medical director of Northwestern Medicine Canning Thoracic Institute and health system director of Interventional Pulmonology. He's a renowned expert in interventional pulmonology and nationally and internationally recognized for his accomplishments in education, research and clinical care. He has published landmark studies and contributed to evidence-based guidelines.

Dr. Thomas Saba, is an assistant professor of Clinic Pediatrics and the Director of the Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia (PCD) Center at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. As a pediatric pulmonologist, Dr. Saba specializes in asthma, bronchiectasis, and primary ciliary dyskinesia. He has extensive experience with common, as well as rare pulmonary conditions, with procedural skills to pursue advanced diagnostic testing when a diagnosis is unclear.

Spirometry for PCPs
April 11th
12:00pm - 1:00pm
[Register](#)



Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Next Monthly Call Dates:

- Feb 12th(April) at 11:00a **or** Feb 14th(Sean) at 2p

Lung Learning Labs series: Jan - April

2024 Summer Collaborative-wide: June 7, 2024, in Lansing

Proposed: 2024 Spring Regional meetings: May 1, 7, 8, 14, 15

MOC Project - Inhaler Education

- Spring 2024 - more details to come soon



Questions/Discussion



CONTACT US

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For questions related to the measures, definitions, or INHALE in general please contact the coordinating center:

INHALE-support@med.umich.edu

For technical support with the data hub or access concerns please reach out to MDC.

MichiganDataCollaborative@med.umich.edu

