

# Understanding Your Perinatal Scorecard



## PAYMENT PERIOD

Represents the current incentive bonus payment date

## DELIVERY CYCLE

The measurement period represents the current incentive bonus delivery cycle.

Cycle	Measurement Period	Payment Date	Minimum Qualifying Deliveries
1	10/08 – 01/07	September	10
2	01/08 – 04/07	December	10
3	04/08 – 07/07	March	10
4	07/08 – 10/07	June	10

## ENTITY/PRACTICE INFORMATION

This is basic information about your practice, including your practice name and tax identification.

## QUALIFYING LIVE DELIVERY COUNT

The qualifying live delivery count is the number of live birth deliveries during the measurement period. To be eligible for participation in this program, a provider must have a minimum of 10 live-birth deliveries during the measurement period. The incentive payments are distributed quarterly, based on deliveries occurring during the measurement period, with a focus on treating the delivery as an episode of care.

## EFFICIENT USE OF SERVICES

The incentive payment is based on a risk-adjusted shared savings pool and is available to OB/GYN groups whose attributed deliveries demonstrate an Efficient Use of Services, and are based on a comparison of the total episode cost to the risk-adjusted episode cost. A higher total cost to risk-adjusted cost ratio indicates lower efficiency performance. Using the Prometheus analytical models for pregnancy, episode case rates are risk-adjusted to account for variances in individual health conditions and status that impact episode costs.

## QUALITY PERFORMANCE AND OTHER METRICS

The metrics have been selected based on national and state areas of focus and predicated on AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana's Preventive Health Guidelines and other established clinical guidelines. These measures are based on services rendered to eligible members during the measurement period and require accurate and complete encounter reporting. The metrics are:

- Timeliness of Prenatal Care
- Postpartum Care
- All Four STI Screenings Care: Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, HIV, and Syphilis
- Cesarean Rate for Low-Risk First Birth Women (lower is better)



- Third Trimester Syphilis Screening
- Severity of Illness (SOI)
- Access to Electronic Health Records (EHR)
- Health Equity — Maternal Health

### **PEER PERCENTILE RANK**

Practice rates (scores) are calculated as the ratio of attributed members who received these services, as evidenced by claim or encounter information (numerator), to those members who are eligible to receive these services (denominator). For Quality Performance Metrics, the numerator and the denominator for the metrics are aggregated to determine the practice rate. Severity of Illness is measured independently (see below). The Peer Percentile Rank compares the rates for all practices providing obstetrical care (peers) to determine the practice peer percentile ranking in each category.

**Other Metrics Using the Peer Percentile Rank** in the program include:

- Severity of Illness (SOI)
- Health Equity — Maternal Health
- Cesarean Rate
- Third Trimester Syphilis Screening

Please see the Provider Manual for details on these metrics.

### **TOTAL INCENTIVE EARNED PER DELIVERY**

The Total Incentive Earned per Delivery payment is based on the Percentile Rank (rank compared to peers) for Quality Performance Metrics and Access to Electronic Health Records (EHR). The provider needs to meet the 50th percentile target for the Quality Performance Measures in order to receive an incentive.

### **OTHER METRICS**

**Access to Electronic Health Records (EHR)** — practices that allow AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana access to their EHR's for our members can receive an additional 5% in the incentive payment per qualifying live delivery earned. This is a one-time payment. **An EHR incentive may be earned even if the provider does not qualify for the other metrics in the program.**

### **GROUP DETAIL**

Within a tax entity, each provider group will be paid based on the count of deliveries.



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