

## 2018 Gold Star Standards for Adults

Our 23<sup>rd</sup> report on adults reflects small adjustments to the Gold Star standards to better reflect our emphasis on achievement and improvement in primary care.

To qualify for a Gold Star, practices must care for a minimum number of patients in the most recent period (for achievement) and the prior year (for improvement).

- Gold Stars are awarded to practices whose quality measures rank in the top 10% in the region of patients with Medicare, Commercial, Medicaid or Uninsured.
- **Achievement** Gold Stars are awarded for performance in the one-year reporting period.
- **Improvement** Gold Stars are awarded for improvement in the reporting period vs. one year earlier.

Gold Star [ranking standards](#) are:

- [Diabetes Care composite](#)
- [Diabetes Outcome composite](#)
- [High Blood Pressure Care composite](#)
- BP < 140/90 among adults in our high blood pressure report
- Colorectal cancer screening rates among adults ages 50-75