

2017-18 Gold Star Standards for Adults

Our 22nd 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