## **UDS:** UNIFORM DATA SYSTEM

## Background on Codes for UDS Clinical Measure Reporting

The UDS Manual does not include ICD-10-CM and CPT code references. This is because:

- Electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs) use data from electronic health records (EHR) and/or health information technology systems to measure health care quality. As the UDS continues to move toward alignment with national measure reporting, health centers should be utilizing the codes referenced in the eCQM specifications directly. Codes and corresponding eCQM guidance can be found through links at: <u>https://ecqi.healthit.gov/eligible-professional-eligibleclinician-ecqms?field\_year\_value=2</u>
- 2. Prior years of the UDS Manual only included codes that may help, but was never intended to be a comprehensive list of codes.
- 3. Removing the codes reduces duplication and potential errors in codes listed.

## **HIV Linkage to Care**

The HIV measure does not have an associated eCQM. Health centers have expressed that although the UDS Manual may not be all-inclusive of codes, it is helpful to continue to provide the codes from previous manuals as reference. Below are associated ICD-10-CM and CPT codes that may help with 2019 reporting.

## HIV Linkage to Care

The following codes will be useful in identifying the universe:

• ICD-10 = B20, B97.35, Z21

Note, however, that there are no ICD-10-CM or CPT codes to identify newly diagnosed HIV patients. To identify newly diagnosed HIV patients, you can either modify your HIT/EHR to record this information or keep track of the patients who are identified in a separate system. When a diagnosis is documented in the HIT/EHR the "date diagnosed" is time stamped and may be used for reporting.