

First Choice VIP Care Plus® specifications for gaps in care **ACEI/ARB Therapy (HF)**

The purpose of this measure is to identify and track members who have heart failure (HF) and who also have left ventricular systolic dysfunction (LVSD) who were prescribed angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors or angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) therapy.

<p>Which members are included? (denominator)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members with active coverage with the health plan as of the last day of the reporting period. • Members who had at least two face-to-face office visits with the physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner and are 18 years old or older during the reporting period. • Members 18 years old or older with a documented diagnosis of HF at the beginning of the reporting period and who also have LVSD (defined as ejection fraction < 40 percent — use most recent value) or with moderately or severely depressed left ventricular systolic function.
<p>What provider data is included? (numerator)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members who were prescribed an ACE inhibitor or ARB therapy during the reporting period.
<p>Provider communication tools (how providers receive the information)</p>	<p>Claims data is evaluated monthly for all members. In the event that there is no claim for this specific service, the system generates an automatic notice of care gap. Care gap status notification is provided by and accessible through NaviNet via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member eligibility pop-up alerts. • Care gap query reports. • Member clinical summary reports. • Monthly NaviNet report updates, which reflect gaps in care for primary care provider practice panel membership. • Panel membership results, which include indicators for this gaps in care measure as Missing, Up-to-date, or Overdue.