Completed by:

A. **Control #**: AC-10

B. **Measure Name**: ER Utilization - Average number of emergency room visits per member per reporting period

C. **Measure Definition***

 a. Numerator: Number of visits per member per reporting period
 b. Denominator: All child and adolescent members during the reporting period

D. **Measure Type**:

E. **Measure collected using:**

F. **Evidence of measure validity submitted?**

G. **Level of evidence supporting the measure (**if submitted): (see Oxford University CEBM Levels of Evidence)

 Oxford CEBM = 2 (Outcome studies) Weinick et al. found that a large proportion of ED visits could be prevented or avoided with better access to primary health care, particularly for Medicaid and self-pay/uninsured patients, and that patterns of ACS-ED use differ considerably by age. Many condition-specific quality improvement projects have used reduction in ER visits as a study outcome, with variations in results.

H. **USPSTF Grade** if applicable:

I. **Measure Specifications Submitted**?

J. **Data Source**:

K. **Evidence of measure reliability submitted?**

L. **List of entity types currently using measure:**