

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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**This month's newsletter is packed with updates on network activities, and valuable resources for your practice.**



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## **KidWell Resource Updates:** **Data & Analytics: New Reports**

**New AmeriHealth reports are available on the SFTP**

**SFTP: <https://fts.nemours.org/>**

Reporting includes:

Gaps in care with payer claims through 1/31/2025 and internal data through 2/20/2025

Note: we are using the 2024 targets as a guideline until we have the 2025 targets (no ETA at this time).

Any questions or concerns contact Mark Wanner;  
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## Risk Adjustment



### Documenting Chronic Comorbid Conditions Why is it Important?

Risk Scores reset every calendar year.

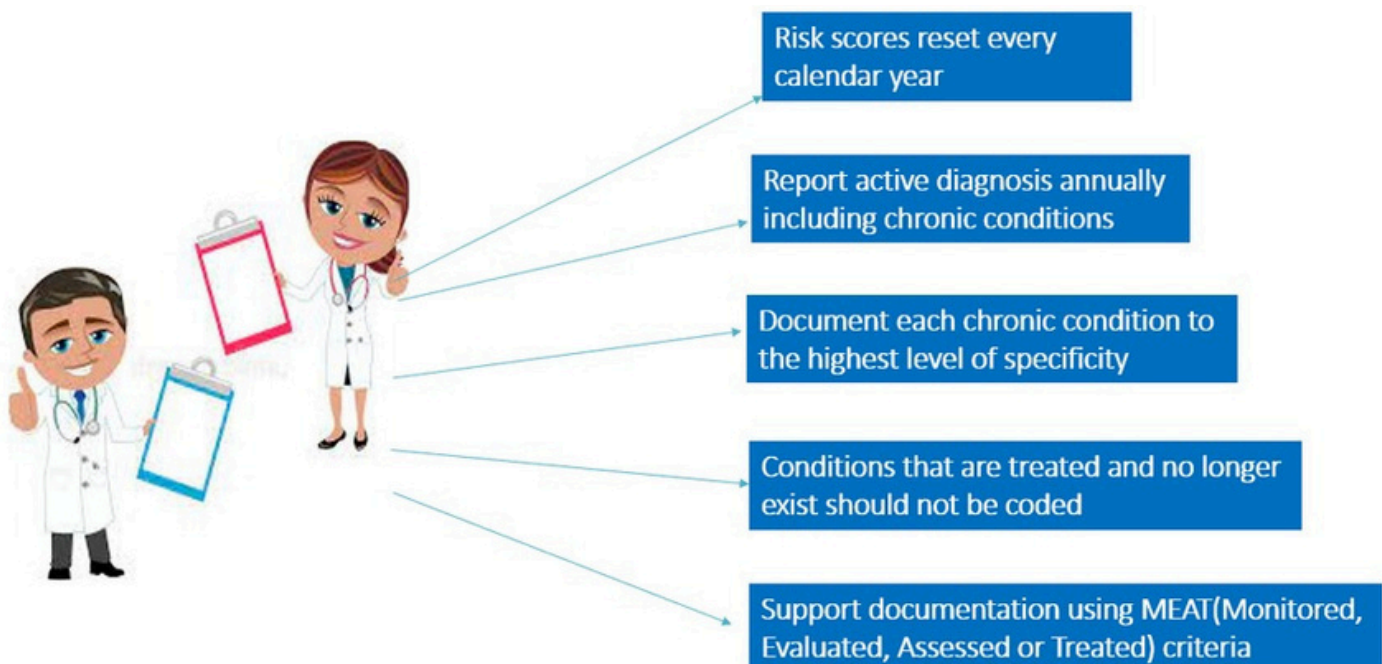
Any lapses or inconsistencies in capturing these recurring chronic



conditions can result in an understated risk score.

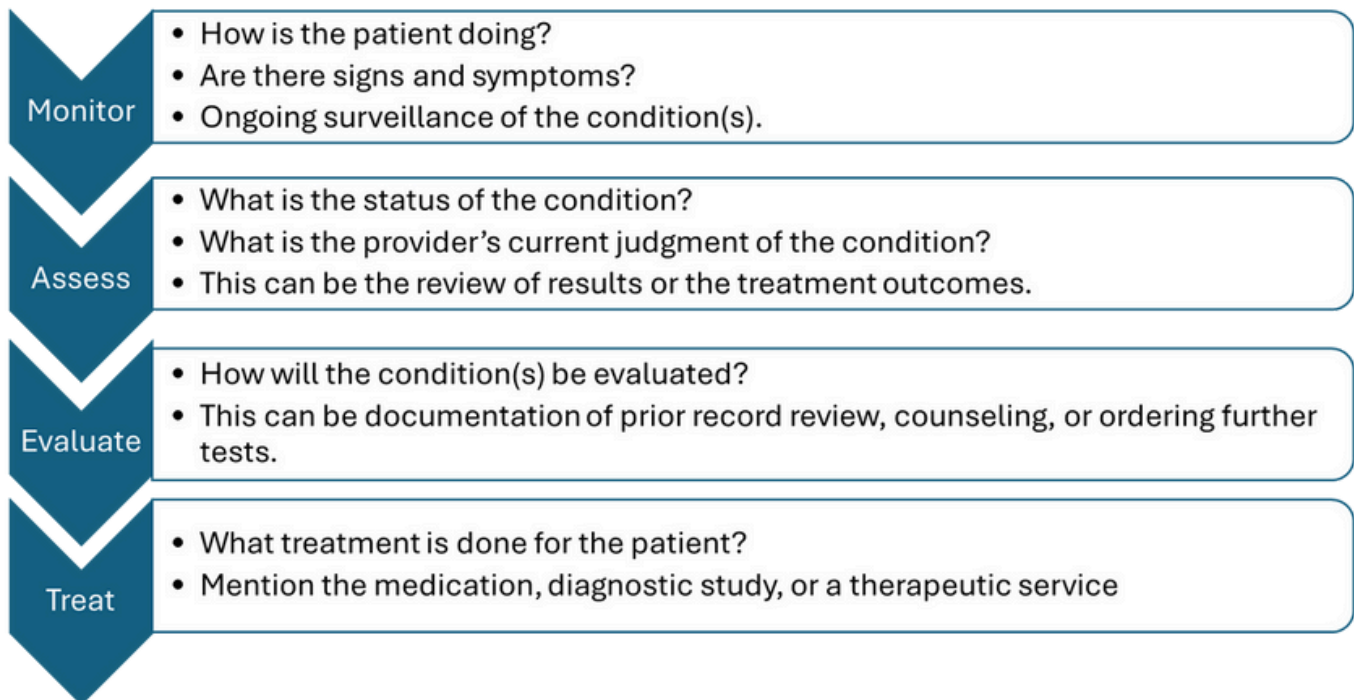
### Risk Adjustment Reminders

Annual Well-visits are the best time to document Chronic Comorbid Conditions



## M.E.A.T Criteria

Support your Documentation using one of the M.E.A.T. criteria



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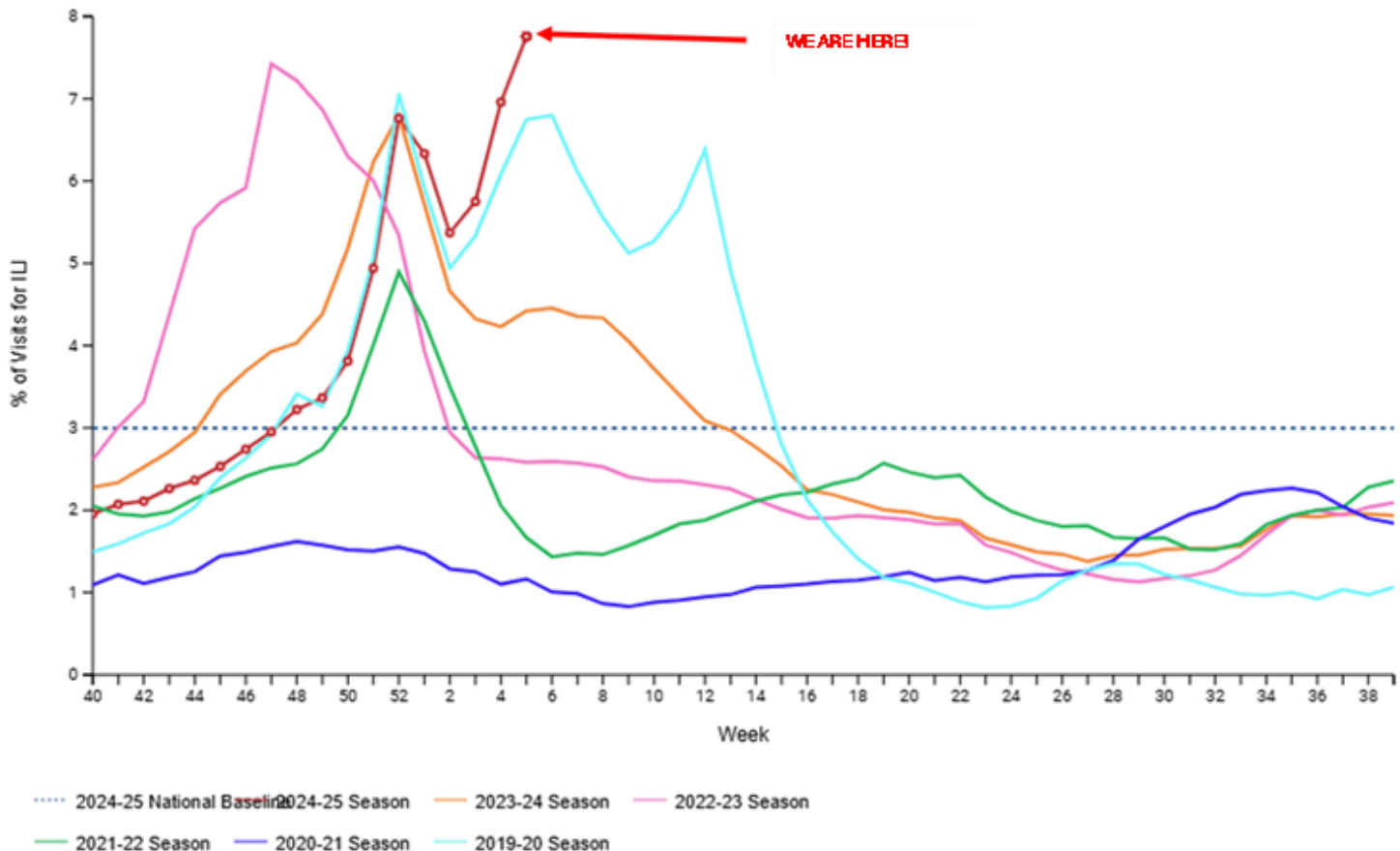
## KidWell Resource Updates: Respiratory Virus Chart

### FLU SURVEILLANCE:

If you feel like you are drowning in Influenza, well, the data fully supports that reality! The below graph shows that current volume of outpatient visits for influenza-like illness (ILI) is as high as we have seen since before the pandemic. In fact, the US is currently experiencing the HIGHEST LEVEL OF OUTPATIENT ILI VISITS IN THE LAST 15 YEARS. Nationally, ED visits are very high for flu, moderate for RSV, and low for COVID. Most of the influenza circulating is influenza A, but is split between H1N1 and H3N2. It appears the H3N2 strain is not a great match for the vaccine.



Percentage of Outpatient Visits for Respiratory Illness Reported by  
The U.S. Outpatient Influenza -like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet),  
Weekly National Summary, 2024 -25 Season and Selected Previous Seasons



# ECHO Autism STAT Early Diagnostic Model



## ECHO Autism STAT Instrument Training

June 9-10, 2025

## ECHO Autism: Primary Care Early Diagnosis

1st & 3rd Tuesdays  
of the month

12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.  
starting July 1, 2025

### **Who should participate?**

- Pediatricians
- Physician Assistants
- Nurse Practitioners

### **What is ECHO Autism?**

Moving knowledge, not people

A program that supports PCPs looking to improve their ability to care for autistic patients and learn skills necessary to complete diagnostic evaluations in their office. ECHO Autism is an educational program that bridges care gaps between autism specialists, community health care clinicians, and autistic children.

### **How It Works**

PCPs receive training in an office-based diagnostic instrument (STAT) followed by bi monthly educational sessions with didactic and case-based learning in a convenient, interactive web-based small-group format.



Interested? Contact [echoautism@nemours.org](mailto:echoautism@nemours.org).

Learn more about ECHO Autism Communities at [echoautism.org](http://echoautism.org).



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# ECHO Autism STAT Early Diagnostic Model

## Benefits

- Learn the skills to evaluate, differentiate, and diagnosis children with unambiguous characteristics of autism between the ages of 14–48 months.
- Receive guidance on treatment of common medical and psychiatric co-occurring conditions in children on the autism spectrum.
- No-cost STAT instrument training
- FREE STAT Kit
- FREE CME and Maintenance of Certification Credit

## Commitments

- Attend an in-person ECHO Autism STAT instrument training June 9–10, 2025, in Wilmington, Delaware.
- Participate in virtual ECHO Autism Primary Care Sessions on the first and third Tuesday of every month from noon–1:30 p.m. for one year.
- Complete steps to become reliable on the STAT instrument.
- Present diagnostic cases to the ECHO Autism Hub Team for verification of diagnosis.

## Our Team



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## KidWell Resource Updates:

### Care Coordination: Bridging Gaps in Care: A Story of Teamwork and Community Support

*At the heart of our mission is ensuring every patient receives the care they need—even when barriers seem too big to overcome. Recently, our care coordination team demonstrated how collaboration and community engagement make a significant difference in our patients' lives.*

#### Identifying the Challenge

A care coordinator from our KidWell community practice reached out to a patient who had been lost to care. Despite multiple attempts, contact was unsuccessful. Recognizing the urgency, a referral was made to a community health worker, who then visited the patient's home. This visit not only led to scheduling a much-needed well visit but also uncovered several pressing issues affecting the entire family.

#### Overcoming Barriers with Teamwork

During the well visit, it became clear that the family faced multiple challenges:

- **Transportation:** The lack of personal transportation was hindering the patient's dental care and the mother's access to an audiologist for her hard-of-hearing diagnosis.
- **Housing Concerns:** The family's living conditions were not ideal, with damaged furniture due to a hot water leak and unsafe drinking water worries stemming from a city issue.

Our care coordinator quickly mobilized resources by:

- Helping the mother navigate Modivcare to secure transportation for both the dental appointment and an audiologist consultation.
- Connecting with local community resources to obtain donated furniture and several cases of safe drinking water.

#### A Positive Outcome

Through the diligent efforts of the practice team, care coordinator, and community health worker, the family's obstacles were addressed comprehensively. Follow-up calls confirmed that the family was receiving the necessary healthcare and had overcome the transportation, housing, and water quality challenges they faced.

*This success story highlights the importance of proactive care coordination and community collaboration. It serves as a reminder of how addressing social determinants of health can lead to improved outcomes for our patients and their families.*

*Together, we are not just coordinating care—we are transforming lives.*



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## **KidWell Resource Updates:** **Community Health Educators**

KidWell is excited to present a new resource for your patients and families

### Community Health Education

#### **Program Offerings:**

- Asthma Management
- Healthy Living Series
- Mental Health
- Childhood Safety
- Healthy Relationships and STD
- Prevention
- Substance Use Prevention and Education
- Smoking and Vaping
- Navigating the Healthcare System
- Personal Hygiene
- Seasonal Sickness

**Stay Tuned, more information to come!**



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## KidWell Resource Updates: Reminder: Upcoming Meetings & Events



Don't  
Forget!

- **QCMC Meeting in March:**
  - **Wednesday March 3, 2025 5:00pm–6:00pm**

### KidWell Lunch Time Lecture Series

**Next Series:**  
**Tuesday March 25, 2025**  
**12noon – 1pm**



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## KidWell Resources Updates:

### Friendly Reminder: Complete GPO Vaccine Initiative Spreadsheet

Dear KidWell Community Practices,

Just a friendly reminder to please complete the GPO (Group Purchasing Organization) vaccine initiative spreadsheet that was emailed by Danielle Burns on August 20th, 2024.

This initiative is a fantastic opportunity to potentially reduce your vaccine costs. To participate, we need your help in understanding your annual vaccine purchase volume.

#### Key Points:

- The spreadsheet is organized into four tabs: Combo 2 & 7, COVID, Flu, and Other.
- Each tab asks two key questions for each vaccine:
  - What quantity of each NDC was ordered?
  - Where did you order the vaccine from?

Your timely completion of this spreadsheet is essential for us to move forward with this initiative and potentially unlock cost savings for your practice.

If you have any questions or need assistance with the spreadsheet, please don't hesitate to reach out to [Danielle \(Danielle.Burns@nemours.org\)](mailto:Danielle.Burns@nemours.org).

Thank you for your cooperation!



# Reminder

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## KidWell Resources Updates: ANNOUNCEMENTS/HIGHLIGHTS: UTI Pathways

### Attention Community Pediatricians:

We are excited to invite your expertise in developing a comprehensive Urinary Tract Infection (UTI) pathway for our network.

This initiative represents a valuable opportunity to enhance patient care and standardize treatment protocols across our community.

If you are interested in contributing to this important project, please contact our Quality Team.

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*Join us in advancing quality pediatric care. Your collaboration can make a significant impact!*







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## **KidWell Resources Updates:**

Check out our newly upgraded website

**[KidWellnetwork.org](https://kidwellnetwork.org)**

Direct Access to KidWell Clinical Pathways

**<https://kidwellnetwork.org/clinical-pathways.html>**



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## Nominate a Stellar Colleague!

Do you know a coworker who consistently goes above and beyond? We want to celebrate their dedication in our Kudos Corner!

## Shape the Newsletter!

We're always looking for ways to improve the departmental newsletter. Do you have ideas for future content, suggestions for topics, or feedback on the format? We value your input!

Share your thoughts and suggestions with Asya Richardson directly at [asya.richardson@nemours.org](mailto:asya.richardson@nemours.org).

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See you next month!  
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