#### Release Announcement

CHADIS will soon include a few demographics questions as part of patient registration. This is an important part of the data needed to make sure CHADIS questionnaires work for all demographics without causing disparities in usage. We have found that many offices are unable to easily report the demographics of their patients and could benefit from this information when working with insurers, state programs, ACOs or Meaningful Use. We are happy to report this information back to you.

# **Demographics**

The demographics items are below. Note that patients can choose "Prefer not to answer" for each item. The "Why we ask" explains the value of answering.

#### 1. Child's race (why we ask) -Check all that apply:

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian
- o Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- o Other
- o Prefer not to answer

# 2. Ethnicity (why we ask):

- o Hispanic or Latino
- Not Hispanic or Latino
- o Prefer not to answer

#### 3. Zipcode (why we ask) [free text](optional)

# 4. Insurance type

- Private insurance
- Medicaid
- o SSI
- o Tricare
- Self pay
- Prefer not to answer

CHADIS also features questionnaires that can assist you in collecting data for Medical Home Certification and/or Meaningful Use requirements. Collection of this information is recommended and, if your office is part of a hospital system, required at initial visits and then annually.

The "Communication Preferences and Patient Safety Screen questionnaire" assists office compliance with recommendations of the Joint Commission and Patient Centered Medical Home by collecting patient preferences such as language preference, difficulty hearing, cultural or spiritual issues that might affect care, immunization status and other items.

National Center for Medical Home Implementation questionnaire facilitates information gathering for all of the questions required for Medical Home Certification. The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) developed the medical home model for delivering primary care that is accessible, continuous, comprehensive, family-centered, coordinated, compassionate, and culturally effective to all children and youth, including children and youth with special health care needs. As always, please contact your Account Manager at 888-4CHADIS if you have any questions about these features or need assistance.