

Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention Measure Narrative

Description	Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months AND who received cessation counseling intervention if identified as a tobacco user.	
Methodology	Population identification is accomplished via a query of a practice management system or Electronic Medical Record (EMR) to identify the population of eligible patients (denominator). Data elements are either extracted from an EMR system or abstracted through medical record review.	
Measurement Period	Performance data on this measure will be collected every 3 months for the EvidenceNow initiative beginning Nov 1, 2015. The measurement period for each data time point over a 1 year time frame is provided below:	
	Data collection time point	Measurement Period
	Nov 1, 2015	Nov 1, 2014 – Oct 31, 2015
	Feb 1, 2016	Feb 1, 2015 – Jan 31, 2016
	May 1, 2016	May 1, 2015 – Apr 30, 2016
	Aug 1, 2016	Aug 1, 2015 – Jul 31, 2016
	Nov 1, 2016	Nov 1, 2015 – Oct 31, 2016
Eligible Population	Ages	18 years and older as of the first day of the measurement period
	Event	At least two visits (Value Sets: <i>Health & Behavioral Assessment – Individual; Health and Behavioral Assessment – Initial; Health and Behavioral Assessment, Reassessment; Occupational Therapy Evaluation; Office Visit; Ophthalmological Services; Psych Visit – Diagnostic Evaluation; Psych Visit – Psychotherapy; Psychoanalysis</i>) or at least one preventive visit (Value Sets: <i>Annual Wellness Exam; Face-to-Face Interaction; Preventive Care Services – Established Office Visit, 18 and Up; Preventive Care Services – Group Counseling; Preventive Care Services – Other; Preventive Care Services – Individual Counseling; Preventive Care Services – Initial Office Visit, 18 and Up; Speech and Hearing Evaluation</i>) with an eligible provider in an eligible specialty for any reason during the measurement period.
Denominator	The eligible population	
Exclusions	None	
Numerator	The number of patients who were screened for tobacco use at least once within 24 months AND who received tobacco cessation intervention if identified as a tobacco user.	

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Denominator Exception	Documentation of medical reason(s) for not screening for tobacco use (<i>Limited Life Expectancy Value Set</i>)(<i>Medical Reason Value Set</i>) Note: Exceptions only apply to the screening data element of the measure; once a patient has been screened, there are no allowable exceptions for not providing the intervention.
Measure Scoring	Rate/Proportion
Interpretation of Score	Higher score indicates better quality
Measure Type	Process