

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

QUALITY STANDARD TOPIC OVERVIEW

1 Quality standard title

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

This quality standard will update the NICE quality standard for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (QS10), which was identified as needing updating by the 2014 annual review of published quality standards.

2 Introduction

2.1 *NICE quality standards*

NICE quality standards are a concise set of prioritised statements designed to drive measurable quality improvements within a particular area of health or care.

The standards are derived from high-quality guidance, such as that from NICE or [accredited](#) by NICE. They are developed independently by NICE, in collaboration with health, public health and social care practitioners, their partners and service users. Information on priority areas, people's experience of using services, safety issues, equality and cost impact are considered during the development process.

NICE quality standards are central to supporting the Government's vision for a health and social care system that is focused on delivering the best possible outcomes for people who use services, as detailed in the [Health and Social Care Act \(2012\)](#).

The quality standard development process is described in detail on the [NICE website](#).

2.2 This topic overview

This topic overview describes core elements of the quality standard. These include the population and topic to be covered, key source guidance to be used to underpin potential quality statements, any related quality standards, published current practice information and national or routine indicators and performance measures.

If the source guidance is not NICE guidance, it should meet the minimum quality criteria defined in NICE's [accreditation programme](#).

3 This quality standard

This quality standard is expected to publish in January 2016.

3.1 Population and topic to be covered

This quality standard will cover the assessment, diagnosis and management of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in adults. It will not cover prevention, screening or case finding.

It will update the existing quality standard for [chronic obstructive pulmonary disease](#).

3.2 Key development sources (NICE and NICE-accredited sources)

Primary source

- [Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease](#) (2010) NICE guideline CG101

Other sources that may be used

- [Pneumonia: diagnosis and management of community- and hospital-acquired pneumonia in adults](#) (2014) NICE guideline CG191
- British Thoracic Society (2013) [BTS guideline on pulmonary rehabilitation in adults](#)
- [Services for people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease](#) (2011)
NICE commissioning guides CMG43

Key policy documents, reports and national audits

Relevant policy documents, reports and national audits will be used to inform the development of the quality standard.

- Royal College of Physicians (2015) [National chronic obstructive pulmonary disease \(COPD\) audit programme](#)
- British Thoracic Society (2014) [BTS care bundles for CAP and COPD](#)
- Department for Work and Pensions and Industrial Injuries Advisory Council (2014) [Chronic bronchitis and emphysema: effects of treatment and the medical assessment: IIAC report](#)
- British Thoracic Society (2013) [BTS national respiratory audit programme: annual report 2012/13](#)
- Department of Health (2012) [An outcomes strategy for COPD and asthma: NHS companion document](#)
- Department of Health (2012) [COPD commissioning toolkit: a resource for commissioners](#)
- Department of Health (2011) [An outcomes strategy for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease \(COPD\) and asthma in England](#)
- The Scottish Primary Care Collaborative (2010) [Improving care for people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease](#)

3.3 *Related NICE quality standards*

Published

- [Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis](#) (2015) NICE quality standard 79
- [Smoking cessation: supporting people to stop smoking](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 43
- [Asthma](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 25
- [Patient experience in adult NHS services](#) (2012) NICE quality standard 15
- [End of life care for adults](#) (2011) NICE quality standard 13
- [Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease](#) (2011) NICE quality standard 10

In development

- [Pneumonia](#). Publication expected January 2016.

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Future quality standards

This quality standard will be developed in the context of all quality standards referred to NICE, including the following quality standards scheduled for future development:

- Bronchiolitis

The full list of quality standard topics referred to NICE is available from the [quality standard topic library](#) on the NICE website.

4 Existing indicators

QOF indicators for England 2014/15

- QOF indicator [COPD001](#)
- QOF indicator [COPD002](#)
- QOF indicator [COPD003](#)
- QOF indicator [COPD004](#)
- QOF indicator [COPD005](#) (NICE menu [NM63](#))
- QOF indicator [COPD007](#)
- QOF indicator [SMOK002](#) (NICE menu [NM38](#))
- QOF indicator [SMOK005](#) (NICE menu [NM39](#))

Indicators from the NICE QOF menu (not included in the QOF for England 2014/15)

- NICE menu [NM47](#)

5 Further information

See the NICE website for more information about [NICE quality standards](#) and the [progress of this quality standard](#).