



Diabetes: annual smoking status (children)

NICE indicator

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Indicator

Proportion of young people with diabetes age 12 to 18 years who have had their smoking status recorded in the previous 12 months.

Indicator type

Network / system level indicator.

The indicator would be appropriate to understand and report on the performance of networks or systems of providers.

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Rationale

Smoking increases the risks of complications associated with diabetes such as neuropathy along with other smoking-related diseases, such as respiratory disorders. It is therefore important that young people are made aware of the risks associated with smoking, and those that do smoke are offered smoking cessation treatment and support as early as possible.

Source guidance

[Diabetes \(type 1 and type 2\) in children and young people: diagnosis and management. NICE guideline NG18 \(2015, updated 2022\)](#)

Specification

Numerator: Of the denominator, the number who had their smoking status recorded in the previous 12 months

Denominator: The number of children and young people with diabetes aged 12 to 18 years.

Calculation: Numerator divided by the denominator, multiplied by 100.

Data source: [National Paediatrics Diabetes Audit](#).

Minimum population: The indicator would be appropriate to assess performance of networks or systems of providers.

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