



Smoking: smoking status for people with long-term conditions

NICE indicator

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Indicator

The percentage of patients with any or any combination of the following conditions: CHD, PAD, stroke or TIA, hypertension, diabetes, COPD, CKD, asthma, schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder or other psychoses whose notes record smoking status in the preceding 12 months.

Indicator type

General practice indicator suitable for use in the Quality and Outcomes Framework.

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Rationale

This indicator measures the percentage of people with CHD, PAD, stroke or TIA, hypertension, diabetes, COPD, CKD, asthma, schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder or other psychoses whose notes record smoking status within the previous 12 months.

NICE and NICE-accredited guidance recommends smoking cessation treatment and support for people with the conditions outlined in the indicator wording. People with these conditions face increased risks from smoking (for example, increased risk of cardiovascular disease) compared with the general population. In addition, there is evidence that people who smoke are receptive to smoking cessation advice in all healthcare settings and that healthcare professionals are effective in helping people to stop smoking. It is therefore important that people with these conditions who smoke are identified, so that they can be offered smoking cessation treatment and support.

Source guidance

- [Tobacco: preventing uptake, promoting quitting and treating dependence. NICE guideline NG209 \(2021\)](#), recommendations 1.11.1 and 1.11.6
- [Type 1 diabetes in adults: diagnosis and management. NICE guideline NG17 \(2015, updated 2022\)](#), recommendations 1.1.11 and 1.12.2

Specification

Numerator: The number of patients in the denominator whose notes record smoking status in the preceding 12 months.

Denominator: The number of patients with any or any combination of the following conditions: CHD, PAD, stroke or TIA, hypertension, diabetes, COPD, CKD, asthma,

schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder or other psychoses.

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

Exclusions: Patients for whom smoking quality indicator care was unsuitable in the 12 months leading up to and including the payment period end date.

Minimum population: The indicator would be appropriate to assess performance at individual general practice level.

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