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

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<td>Rationale</td>
<td>This measure is intended to promote adult tobacco screening and tobacco cessation interventions for those who use tobacco products. There is good evidence that tobacco screening and brief cessation intervention (including counseling and/or pharmacotherapy) is successful in helping tobacco users quit. Tobacco users who are able to stop smoking lower their risk for heart disease, lung disease, and stroke. The USPSTF recommends that clinicians ask all adults about tobacco use, advise them to stop using tobacco, and provide behavioral interventions and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved pharmacotherapy for cessation to adults who use tobacco. (Grade A Recommendation) (U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, 2015) The USPSTF recommends that clinicians ask all pregnant women about tobacco use, advise them to stop using tobacco, and provide behavioral interventions for cessation to pregnant women who use tobacco. (Grade A Recommendation) (U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, 2015) The USPSTF concludes that the current evidence is insufficient to recommend electronic nicotine delivery systems for</td>
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tobacco cessation in adults, including pregnant women. The USPSTF recommends that clinicians direct patients who smoke tobacco to other cessation interventions with established effectiveness and safety (previously stated). (Grade I Statement) (U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, 2015)

**Improvement Notation**
Higher score indicates better quality

**Reference**

**Definition**
Tobacco Use - Includes any type of tobacco
Tobacco Cessation Intervention - Includes brief counseling (3 minutes or less), and/or pharmacotherapy

**Guidance**
If a patient uses any type of tobacco (ie, smokes or uses smokeless tobacco), the expectation is that they should receive tobacco cessation intervention: either counseling and/or pharmacotherapy.

If tobacco use status of a patient is unknown, the patient does not meet the screening component required to be counted in the numerator and should be considered a measure failure. Instances where tobacco use status of "unknown" is recorded include: 1) the patient was not screened; or 2) the patient was screened and the patient (or caregiver) was unable to provide a definitive answer. If the patient does not meet the screening component of the numerator but has an allowable medical exception, then the patient should be removed from the denominator of the measure and reported as a valid exception.

The medical reason exception only applies to the screening data element of the measure; once a patient has been screened, there are no allowable medical reason exceptions for not providing the intervention.

If a patient has a diagnosis of limited life expectancy, that patient has a valid denominator exception for not being screened for tobacco use or for not receiving tobacco use cessation intervention (counseling and/or pharmacotherapy) if identified as a tobacco user.

As noted above in a recommendation statement from the USPSTF, the current evidence is insufficient to recommend electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS) including electronic cigarettes for tobacco cessation. Additionally, ENDS are not currently classified as tobacco in the recent evidence review to support the update of the USPSTF recommendation given that the devices do not burn or use tobacco leaves. In light of the current lack of evidence, the measure does not currently capture e-cigarette usage as either tobacco use or a cessation aid.

**Transmission Format**
TBD

**Initial Population**
All patients aged 18 years and older seen for at least two visits or at least one preventive visit during the measurement period

**Denominator**
Equals Initial Population

**Denominator Exclusions**
None

**Numerator**
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

**Numerator Exclusions**
Not Applicable

**Denominator Exceptions**
Documentation of medical reason(s) for not screening for tobacco use (eg, limited life expectancy, other medical reason)

**Supplemental Data Elements**
For every patient evaluated by this measure also identify payer, race, ethnicity and sex

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**Population Criteria**

- **Initial Population =**
  - AND: Age>= 18 year(s) at: "Measurement Period"
  - AND:
    - OR: Count>= 2 : Union of:
      - "Encounter, Performed: Psych Visit - Diagnostic Evaluation"
      - "Encounter, Performed: Health and Behavioral Assessment - Initial"
      - "Encounter, Performed: Health and Behavioral Assessment, Reassessment"
      - "Encounter, Performed: Health & Behavioral Assessment - Individual"
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- "Encounter, Performed: Occupational Therapy Evaluation"
- "Encounter, Performed: Office Visit"
- "Encounter, Performed: Psych Visit - Psychotherapy"
- "Encounter, Performed: Psychoanalysis"
- "Encounter, Performed: Ophthalmological Services"
- "Encounter, Performed: Home Healthcare Services"

- OR: Count>= 1 : Union of:
  - "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services - Group Counseling"
  - "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services - Other"
  - "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services-Initial Office Visit, 18 and Up"
  - "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services - Established Office Visit, 18 and Up"
  - "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services-Individual Counseling"
  - "Encounter, Performed: Face-to-Face Interaction"
  - "Encounter, Performed: Annual Wellness Visit"
  - "Encounter, Performed: Speech and Hearing Evaluation"

- Denominator = AND: Initial Population
- Denominator Exclusions = None
- Numerator = AND:
  - OR:
    - AND: "Risk Category Assessment: Tobacco Use Screening" <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"
    - AND: "Occurrence A of Patient Characteristic: Tobacco Non-User" <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"
    - AND NOT: "Patient Characteristic: Tobacco User" satisfies all:
      - <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"
      - starts after end of "Occurrence A of Patient Characteristic: Tobacco Non-User"
  - OR:
    - AND: "Risk Category Assessment: Tobacco Use Screening" <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"
    - AND: "Occurrence A of Patient Characteristic: Tobacco User" <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"
    - AND NOT: "Patient Characteristic: Tobacco Non-User" satisfies all:
      - <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"
      - starts after end of "Occurrence A of Patient Characteristic: Tobacco User"
    - AND: Union of:
      - "Intervention, Performed: Tobacco Use Cessation Counseling"
      - "Medication, Active: Tobacco Use Cessation Pharmacotherapy"
      - "Medication, Order: Tobacco Use Cessation Pharmacotherapy"
      - <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"

- Numerator Exclusions = None
- Denominator Exceptions = OR:
  - AND: "Occurrence A of Diagnosis: Limited Life Expectancy" starts before end of "Measurement Period"
  - AND NOT: "Occurrence A of Diagnosis: Limited Life Expectancy" ends before end of "Measurement Period"
  - OR: "Risk Category Assessment not done: Medical Reason" for "Tobacco Use Screening" <= 24 month(s) starts before end of "Measurement Period"

- Stratification = None

Data Criteria (QDM Variables)
- None

Data Criteria (QDM Data Elements)
- "Diagnosis: Limited Life Expectancy" using "Limited Life Expectancy Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1259)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Annual Wellness Visit" using "Annual Wellness Visit Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1240)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Face-to-Face Interaction" using "Face-to-Face Interaction Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1048)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Health & Behavioral Assessment - Individual" using "Health & Behavioral Assessment - Individual Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1020)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Health and Behavioral Assessment - Initial" using "Health and Behavioral Assessment - Initial Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1245)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Health and Behavioral Assessment, Reassessment" using "Health and Behavioral Assessment, Reassessment Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1529)"
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- "Encounter, Performed: Occupational Therapy Evaluation" using "Occupational Therapy Evaluation Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1011)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Office Visit" using "Office Visit Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1001)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Ophthalmological Services" using "Ophthalmological Services Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1285)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services - Established Office Visit, 18 and Up" using "Preventive Care Services - Established Office Visit, 18 and Up Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1025)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services - Group Counseling" using "Preventive Care Services - Group Counseling Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1027)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services - Other" using "Preventive Care Services - Other Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1030)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services-Individual Counseling" using "Preventive Care Services-Individual Counseling Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1026)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Preventive Care Services-Initial Office Visit, 18 and Up" using "Preventive Care Services-Initial Office Visit, 18 and Up Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.464.1003.101.12.1023)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Psych Visit - Diagnostic Evaluation" using "Psych Visit - Diagnostic Evaluation Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1492)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Psych Visit - Psychotherapy" using "Psych Visit - Psychotherapy Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1496)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Psychoanalysis" using "Psychoanalysis Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1141)"
- "Encounter, Performed: Speech and Hearing Evaluation" using "Speech and Hearing Evaluation Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1530)"
- "Intervention, Performed: Tobacco Use Cessation Counseling" using "Tobacco Use Cessation Counseling Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.509)"
- "Medication, Active: Tobacco Use Cessation Pharmacotherapy" using "Tobacco Use Cessation Pharmacotherapy Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1190)"
- "Medication, Order: Tobacco Use Cessation Pharmacotherapy" using "Tobacco Use Cessation Pharmacotherapy Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1190)"
- "Patient Characteristic: Tobacco Non-User" using "Tobacco Non-User Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1189)"
- "Patient Characteristic: Tobacco User" using "Tobacco User Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1170)"
- "Risk Category Assessment: Tobacco Use Screening" using "Tobacco Use Screening Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1278)"
- "Risk Category Assessment not done: Medical Reason" using "Medical Reason Grouping Value Set (2.16.840.1.113883.3.526.3.1007)"

**Supplemental Data Elements**

- "Patient Characteristic Ethnicity: Ethnicity" using "Ethnicity CDCREC Value Set (2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.837)"
- "Patient Characteristic Payer: Payer" using "Payer SOP Value Set (2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3591)"
- "Patient Characteristic Race: Race" using "Race CDCREC Value Set (2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.836)"
- "Patient Characteristic Sex: ONC Administrative Sex" using "ONC Administrative Sex AdministrativeGender Value Set (2.16.840.1.113762.1.4.1)"

**Risk Adjustment Variables**

- None

| Measure Set | None |