Preventive Care & Screening: Screening for Clinical Depression and Follow-up Plan

Percentage of patients aged 12 years and older screened for depression on the date of the encounter using an age appropriate standardized depression screening tool AND if positive, a follow-up plan is documented on the date of the positive screen

Denominator: All patients aged 12 years and older.

- Patient's age is calculated based on the patient’s Date of Birth, which is entered when you created the patient’s account.

Denominator Exceptions:

- If Depression or Bipolar is documented in the Problem List, with a Start Date, these patients will be excluded from the denominator

Numerator: Patients screened for clinical depression on the date of the encounter using an age appropriate standardized tool AND, if positive, a follow-up plan is documented on the date of the positive screen.

- Depression Screening & Follow-up (Age 18+): Standardized adolescent screening tool used is documented under Care Checklist on the date that it was discussed with the patient which should be the date of the note.
- Indicate Positive Screening or Negative Screening in the dropdown box.
- If positive screening, Depression Screening & Follow-up (Age 18+): Positive screening, follow-up plan provided is documented under Care Checklist on the date that it was discussed with the patient which should be the date of the note.

Numerator Exclusions:

- If there was a Medical Reason for not completing the screening, please indicate on the Exclusion Section. See How to document an exclusion.
Office Visit Documentation:

- Create a **Note** detailing the patient's office visits. See *Create a Note*.
- Make sure to include an **E&M** code under “Procedure Codes” on the **Superbill**. See *Create a Superbill*.
- **Sign the Note**. See *Sign Notes*. Once the note is signed, the measure will be added to the **Quality Report**.