

Initiation and Engagement of Alcohol and Other Drug Dependence Treatment (IET) HEDIS® Measure

Measurement year (MY) is defined as the calendar year in which care is rendered.

Which Members Meet the Measure?	Eligible Member Population
<p>Initiation Phase: Members who initiate treatment through an inpatient Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) admission, outpatient visit, intensive outpatient encounter, partial hospitalization, telehealth, or medication treatment within 14 days of the diagnosis.</p> <p>Engagement Phase: Members who initiate treatment and have two or more additional services or medication treatment with a diagnosis of AODA within 34 days of the initiation visit.</p> <p>Note: If multiple Initiation or Engagement visits occur on the same day, they must be with different providers.</p>	<p>Members 13 years and older as of December 31 of the MY, with a new episode of AODA between January 1 and November 13 of the MY (intake period) who had one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An outpatient, intensive outpatient, partial hospitalization, or telehealth encounter visit with a diagnosis of AODA; • A detoxification visit; • An ED visit with a diagnosis of AODA; • An inpatient discharge with a diagnosis of AODA; and • A negative diagnosis history (AODA within 60 days).
Coding to Identify Treatment	
<p>For the follow-up treatments, include an ICD-10 diagnosis for Alcohol or Other Drug Dependence from the Mental, Behavioral, and Neurodevelopmental Disorder Section of ICD-10 along with a procedure code for the preventive service, evaluation, and management consultation or counseling service.</p>	
Codes to Identify Outpatient, Intensive Outpatient, Telehealth, and Partial Hospitalization Visits	
CPT	98960-98962, 99078, 99201-99205, 99211-99215, 99241-99245, 99341-99345, 99347-99350, 99384-99387, 99394-99397, 99401-99404, 99408-99409, 99411-99412, 99510, 90791, 90792, 90832-90834, 90836-90840, 90845, 90847, 90849, 90853, 90875-90876, 99221-99223, 99231-99233, 99238, 99239, 99251-99255, 99483, 99217-99220
HCPCS	G0155, G0176, G0177, G0396, G0397, G0409-G0411, G0443, G0463, H0001, H0002, H0004, H0005, H0007, H0015, H0016, H0022, H0031, H0034-H0037, H0039, H0040, H0047, H2000, H2001, H2010-H2020, H2035, H2036, M0064, S0201, S9480, S9484, S9485, T1006, T1012, T1015
POS	02, 03, 05, 07, 09, 11-20, 22, 33, 49-50, 52-53, 57, 58, 71-72
Telephone Visits	CPT: 98966-98968, 99441-99443
E-Visit/Virtual Check-In	CPT: 98969-98972, 99421-99423, 99444, 99458 HCPCS: G2010, G2012, G2061-2063

How Can You Improve Your Performance and/or Partner with Absolute Total Care?

1. Work with Absolute Total Care's Behavioral Health Team to identify appropriate members for outreach. Consult with the team about substance abuse identification and treatment.
2. Confirm that the billing code related to the selected service is a Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) appropriate code.
3. Screen for it! Please incorporate substance use questions or tools upon intake and upon yearly treatment plan review, at a minimum.
4. Follow up! When substance abuse is identified, it's very important to schedule appropriate follow-up treatment. For newly diagnosed enrollees, in particular, we ask that you schedule three follow-up appointments within the first 30 days. Increased intensity of contact in early stages of treatment will help to address the concerns as timely as possible and help to keep the enrollee connected and motivated for treatment.
5. Document it! If substance abuse is identified, be sure to document it and code it on any claims submitted. When substance abuse is no longer a diagnosis be sure to remove the code from any claims submitted.
6. Educate! It's important to educate enrollees on the effects of substance abuse. Substance abuse often coincides with other behavioral health problems, like major depression or anxiety disorders, which can make treating substance abuse or diagnosing a behavioral health disorder more difficult. In instances like these, referral to a behavioral health provider is prudent. Absolute Total Care can help. Call Provider Services at 1-866-433-6041.

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