

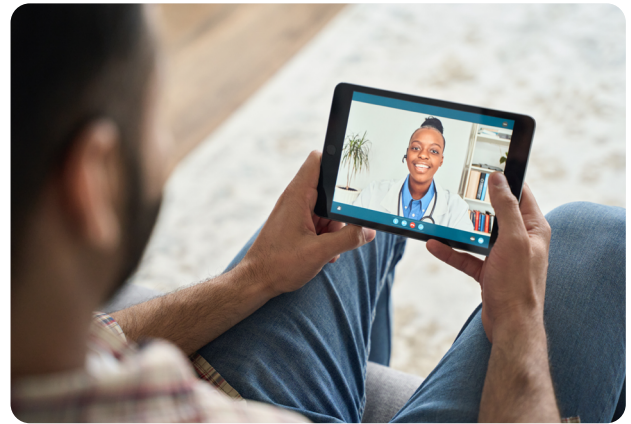
Initiation and Engagement in AOD Dependence Treatment (IET)

Measure Description

The percentage of new substance use disorder (SUD) episodes that result in treatment initiation and engagement. Two rates are reported:

- **Initiation of SUD Treatment.** The percentage of new SUD episodes that result in treatment initiation through an inpatient SUD admission, outpatient visit, intensive outpatient encounter, partial hospitalization, telehealth visit or medication treatment within 14 days.
- **Engagement of SUD Treatment.** The percentage of new SUD episodes that have evidence of treatment engagement within 34 days of initiation.

***If interested in codes for this measure, please contact Quality Management Department at: quality@amidacareny.org.**



Best Practices

- ★ **Schedule** follow-up appointments as soon as possible, particularly those members recently discharged from the hospital.
- ★ **Encourage** member to bring their discharge paperwork to their first appointment and discuss the importance of timely, recommended follow-up visits.
- ★ **Use** the same diagnosis for substance use at each follow-up.
- ★ **Coordinate** care between Behavioral Health and Primary Care Physicians (e.g. share progress notes and updates and include diagnosis for substance use).
- ★ **Reach out** to members who cancel appointments and assist them with rescheduling as soon as possible.
- ★ **Consider** telemedicine visits when in-person visits are not available.
- ★ **Select** culturally appropriate screening and assessment tools and incorporate cultural factors into treatment planning.
- ★ **Consider** social determinants of health (SDOH) factors as possible barriers to care.

Numerator Compliance

<p>Numerator 1: Initiation of SUD treatment within 14 days of the SUD episode date.</p>	<p>Follow the steps below to identify numerator compliance.</p> <p>Step 1. If the SUD episode was an inpatient discharge.</p> <p>Step 2. If the SUD episode was an opioid treatment service that bills monthly.</p> <p>Step 3. For remaining SUD episodes (those not compliant after steps 1–2), identify episodes with at least one of the following on the SUD episode date or during the 13 days after the SUD episode date (14 total days):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An acute or nonacute inpatient admission with a diagnosis (on the discharge claim) of one of the following: Alcohol Abuse and Dependence, Opioid Abuse and Dependence, Other Drug Abuse and Dependence. Identify all acute and nonacute inpatient stays with admission date. An outpatient visit, an intensive outpatient encounter or partial hospitalization with POS code 52, an intensive outpatient encounter or partial hospitalization, a non-residential substance abuse treatment facility visit with, a community mental health center visit with POS code 53, a telehealth visit, a substance use disorder service, substance use disorder counseling, a telephone visit, an e-visit or virtual check-in , a weekly or monthly opioid treatment service. • For SUD episodes in the alcohol use disorder cohort, an alcohol use disorder medication treatment dispensing event or a medication administration event. • For SUD episodes in the opioid use disorder cohort, an opioid use disorder medication treatment dispensing event or a medication administration event.
<p>Numerator 2: Engagement of SUD treatment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify SUD episodes that had at least one weekly or monthly opioid treatment service with medication administration on the day after the initiation encounter through 34 days after the initiation event. The opioid treatment service is considered engagement of treatment, and the SUD episode is compliant. • Identify SUD episodes with long-acting SUD medication administration events on the day after the initiation encounter through 34 days after the initiation event. The long-acting SUD medication administration event is considered engagement of treatment, and the SUD episode is compliant. Any of the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o For SUD episodes in the alcohol use disorder cohort, an alcohol use disorder medication treatment dispensing event or a medication administration event. o For SUD episodes in the opioid use disorder cohort, an opioid use disorder medication treatment dispensing event or a medication administration event. <p>Step 4. For remaining SUD episodes, identify episodes with at least two of the following (any combination) on the day after the initiation encounter through 34 days after the initiation event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement visit. • Engagement medication treatment event. • Engagement visit. Any of the following, meet criteria for an engagement visit: Alcohol Abuse and Dependence, Opioid Abuse and Dependence, Other Drug Abuse and Dependence. • An acute or nonacute inpatient admission with a diagnosis. To identify acute or nonacute inpatient admissions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify all acute and nonacute inpatient stays. 2. Identify the admission date for the stay. • An outpatient visit , an intensive outpatient encounter or partial hospitalization with POS code 52, an intensive outpatient encounter or partial hospitalization, a non-residential substance abuse treatment facility visits, a community mental health center visit with POS code 53, a telehealth visit, a substance use disorder service, substance use disorder counseling and surveillance, a telephone visit, an e-visit or virtual check-in, an opioid treatment service. • Engagement medication treatment events. Either of the following meets criteria for a medication treatment event: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o For SUD episodes in the alcohol use disorder cohort, an alcohol use disorder medication treatment dispensing event (Alcohol Use Disorder Treatment Medications List). o For SUD episodes in the opioid use disorder cohort, an opioid use disorder medication treatment dispensing event (Naltrexone Oral Medications List; Buprenorphine Oral Medications List; Buprenorphine Naloxone Medications List) or a medication administration event. <p>Coding Guidance *Do not include laboratory claims (claims with POS code 81).</p>

Medication List

Description	Medication List
SUD Episodes in the Alcohol use Disorder Cohort, an Alcohol use Disorder Medication Treatment	Alcohol Use Disorder Treatment Medications
	Naltrexone Injection Medications
SUD Episodes in the Alcohol use Disorder Cohort, an Opioid use Disorder Medication Treatment Dispensing Event	Buprenorphine Implant Medications
	Buprenorphine Injection Medications
	Buprenorphine Naloxone Medications
	Buprenorphine Oral Medications
	Naltrexone Injection Medications
	Naltrexone Oral Medications
SUD Episodes in the Alcohol use Disorder Cohort, an Opioid use Disorder Medication Treatment Administration Event	Medication List Name
	Buprenorphine Implant Medications
	Buprenorphine Injection Medications
	Buprenorphine Naloxone Medications
	Buprenorphine Oral Medications
	Naltrexone Injection Medications