Inquiry Regarding Tobacco Use

This measure is to be reported for all patients aged 18 years and older seen by the clinician — a minimum of **once** per reporting period.

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were queried¹ about tobacco use one or more times within 24 months

What will you need to report for each patient aged 18 years and older for this measure?

If you select this measure for reporting, you will report:

Whether or not you queried¹ the patient regarding tobacco use one or more times within 24 months.

Patients will fall into one of three categories described below:

- Current tobacco smoker
- Current smokeless tobacco user
- Current tobacco non-user

What if this process or outcome of care is not appropriate for your patient?

Some measures provide an opportunity for the physician or eligible health professional document when a process or outcome of care is not appropriate for a given patient (also called performance exclusions). Because this measure is applicable to most if not all patients, there are no allowable performance exclusions.

¹The patient should either be queried about tobacco use on the date of service OR there should be documentation that the patient was queried about tobacco use at least once within the 24 months prior to the date of service.