

# Initiation and Engagement of Substance Use Disorder Treatment (IET)

## New for 2026

- No applicable changes to this measure

## Definition

Percentage of new episodes of substance use disorder (SUD) that result in 1 or both of the following:

- Initiation of SUD treatment: Percentage of new SUD episodes that result in treatment through an inpatient SUD admission, outpatient visit, intensive outpatient encounter, partial hospitalization, telehealth or medication treatment within 14 days of diagnosis
- Engagement of SUD treatment: Percentage of new SUD episodes that result in treatment within 34 days of initiation visit

Plans(s) affected	Quality program(s) affected	Collection and reporting method
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commercial</li> <li>• Exchange/Marketplace</li> <li>• Medicaid</li> <li>• Medicare</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CMS Quality Rating System</li> <li>• NCQA Health Plan Ratings - IET Engagement Only</li> </ul>	<p><b>Administrative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Claim/encounter data</li> </ul>

## Codes

The following codes can be used to close HEDIS numerator gaps in care; they are not intended to be a directive of your billing practice.

All of the following scenarios must include a diagnosis of 1 of the below on the claim:

- Alcohol use disorder
- Opioid use disorder
- Other drug abuse and dependence

## Acute or nonacute inpatient visit

For numerator compliance for engagement of treatment, at least 2 of the following scenarios must have been met on the day after the initiation encounter through 34 days after. Two engagement visits can be on the same date, but must be with different providers.

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## Scenario 1 : Inpatient stay

<b>UBREV</b>	0101, 0100, 0207, 0116, 0126, 0136, 0146, 0156, 0110, 0120, 0130, 0140, 0150, 0160, 0170, 0190, 0200, 0210, 1000, 0213, 0214, 0206, 0202, 0111, 0121, 0131, 0141, 0151, 0211, 0171, 0172, 0173, 0174, 0122, 0132, 0142, 0152, 0112, 0117, 0127, 0137, 0147, 0157, 0119, 0129, 0139, 0149, 0159, 0169, 0219, 0209, 0179, 0199, 0113, 0123, 0133, 0143, 0153, 0203, 0114, 0124, 0134, 0144, 0154, 0204, 0212, 0118, 0128, 0138, 0148, 0158, 1002, 1001, 0167, 0164, 0191, 0192, 0193, 0194, 0201, 0208
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## Scenario 2: Outpatient visits with outpatient place of service code(s)

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	90791, 90792, 90832, 90833, 90834, 90836, 90837, 90838, 90839, 90840, 90845, 90847, 90849, 90853, 90875, 90876, 99221, 99222, 99223, 99231, 99232, 99233, 99238, 99239, 99252, 99253, 99254, 99255
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**AND**

**Place of service code**

Code	Location		
<b>03</b>	School	<b>17</b>	Walk-in retail health clinic
<b>05</b>	Indian Health Service free-standing facility	<b>18</b>	Place of employment - worksite
<b>07</b>	Tribal 638 free-standing facility	<b>19</b>	Off-campus outpatient hospital
<b>09</b>	Prison/correctional facility	<b>20</b>	Urgent care facility
<b>11</b>	Office	<b>22</b>	On-campus outpatient hospital
<b>12</b>	Home	<b>33</b>	Custodial care facility
<b>13</b>	Assisted living facility	<b>49</b>	Independent clinic
<b>14</b>	Group home	<b>50</b>	Federally qualified health center
<b>15</b>	Mobile unit	<b>71</b>	Public health clinic
<b>16</b>	Temporary lodging	<b>72</b>	Rural health clinic

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## Scenario 3: Behavioral health outpatient visit

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	99483, 98961, 98962, 98960, 99345, 99342, 99344, 99341, 99350, 99348, 99349, 99347, 99510, 99385, 99386, 99387, 99384, 99382, 99381, 99383, 99494, 99492, 99245, 99243, 99244, 99242, 99205, 99203, 99204, 99202, 99211, 99215, 99213, 99214, 99212, 99395, 99396, 99397, 99394, 99392, 99391, 99393, 99078, 99401, 99402, 99403, 99404, 99411, 99412, 99493, 98000, 98001, 98002, 98003, 98004, 98005, 98006, 98007
<b>HCPCS</b>	G0176, H0040, H0039, H0004, H0002, T1015, H0037, H0036, H2015, H2016, H2010, H2000, H2011, G0463, H0034, H0031, H2013, H2017, H2018, G0512, G0155, H2014, G0409, H2019, H2020, G0177, G0560
<b>SNOMED</b>	866149003, 444971000124105, 84251009, 77406008, 50357006, 281036007, 209099002, 90526000, 456201000124103, 391261003, 391257009, 391260002, 391225008, 391223001, 391224007, 3391000175108, 185464004, 86013001, 439740005, 391242002, 391237005, 391239008, 391233009, 185463005, 185465003
<b>UBREV</b>	0904, 0917, 0983, 0521, 0517, 0523, 0916, 0510, 0520, 0900, 0915, 0522, 0914, 0902, 0919, 0519, 0529, 0982, 0515, 0903, 0513, 0911, 0516, 0526, 0528, 0527

## Scenario 4: Intensive outpatient encounter or partial hospitalization with partial hospitalization place of service code

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	90791, 90792, 90832, 90833, 90834, 90836, 90837, 90838, 90839, 90840, 90845, 90847, 90849, 90853, 90875, 90876, 99221, 99222, 99223, 99231, 99232, 99233, 99238, 99239, 99252, 99253, 99254, 99255
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**AND**

**Place of service code**

Code	Location
52	Psychiatric facility - partial hospitalization

## Scenario 5: Intensive outpatient encounter or partial hospitalization

<b>HCPCS</b>	H2012, S9485, S9484, G0410, S9480, G0411, H0035, S0201, H2001
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<b>SNOMED</b>	305347001, 305345009, 305346005, 391048007, 391046006, 391047002, 391188004, 391187009, 391186000, 391185001, 391054008, 391038005, 391170007, 391153004, 391152009, 391150001, 391151002, 391195008, 391194007, 391191004, 391192006, 391211007, 391210008, 391209003, 391207001, 391208006, 391056005, 391133003, 391055009, 391256000, 391255001, 391252003, 391254002, 391042008, 391043003, 7133001, 391232004, 391228005, 391229002
<b>UBREV</b>	0905, 0907, 0912, 0913

**Scenario 6: Non-residential substance abuse treatment facility with non-residential substance abuse treatment facility place of service code**

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	90791, 90792, 90832, 90833, 90834, 90836, 90837, 90838, 90839, 90840, 90845, 90847, 90849, 90853, 90875, 90876, 99221, 99222, 99223, 99231, 99232, 99233, 99238, 99239, 99252, 99253, 99254, 99255
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**AND**

Code	Location
57	Non-residential substance abuse treatment facility
58	Non-residential opioid treatment facility

**Scenario 7: Community mental health center visit with community mental health place of service code**

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	90791, 90792, 90832, 90833, 90834, 90836, 90837, 90838, 90839, 90840, 90845, 90847, 90849, 90853, 90875, 90876, 99221, 99222, 99223, 99231, 99232, 99233, 99238, 99239, 99252, 99253, 99254, 99255
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**AND**

**Place of service code**

Code	Location
53	Community mental health center

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## Scenario 8: Telehealth visit with telehealth place of service code

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**AND**

**Place of service code**

Code	Location
02	Telehealth
10	Telehealth

## Scenario 9: Substance use disorder services

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	99408, 99409
<b>HCPCS</b>	H0001, H0022, H0050, H0007, H0005, H0015, H0016, H0047, H2036, H2035, G0396, G0397, T1006, T1012, G0443
<b>SNOMED</b>	827094004, 720175009, 707166002, 20093000, 720176005, 713127001, 370776007, 428211000124100, 711008001, 445662007, 774091000, 763302001, 450760003, 774090004, 445628007, 763104007, 704182008, 772813001, 865964007, 763233002, 87106005, 23915005, 182969009, 64297001, 67516001, 266707007, 792901003, 792902005, 310653000, 414054004, 414056002, 61480009, 720174008, 56876005, 720177001, 414283008, 414501008, 713107002, 713106006, 370854007, 415662004, 385989002, 386449006, 386450006, 386451005
<b>UBREV</b>	0906, 0944, 0945

## Scenario 10: Substance abuse counseling and surveillance

<b>ICD-10 Diagnosis</b>	Z71.41, Z71.51 (do not include lab claims (claims with POS 81))
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## Scenario 11: Telephone visit

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	98967, 98968, 98966, 99442, 99443, 99441, 98008, 98009, 98010, 98011, 98012, 98013, 98014, 98015
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<b>SNOMED</b>	386472008, 314849005, 185317003, 386473003, 401267002
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## Scenario 12: Online assessment (e-visit/virtual check-in)

<b>CPT®/CPT II</b>	99422, 99423, 99421, 98971, 98972, 98970, 99458, 99457, 98981, 98980, 98016
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<b>HCPCS</b>	G2252, G2012, G2251, G0071, G2250, G2010
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## Scenario 13: Opioid treatment service

### OUD weekly billing non-drug treatment

<b>HCPCS</b>	G2074, G2075, G2076, G2077, G2080
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### OUD weekly billing drug treatment

<b>HCPCS</b>	G2067, G2068, G2073, G0533
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### OUD monthly office-based treatment

<b>HCPCS</b>	G2086, G2087
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## Scenario 14: Medication treatment for alcohol use disorder

<b>HCPCS</b>	J2315, G2069, G2073
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### One or more medication dispensing events for alcohol use disorder:

Drug category	Medications
<b>Aldehyde dehydrogenase inhibitor</b>	• Disulfiram (oral)
<b>Antagonist</b>	• Naltrexone (oral and injectable)
<b>Other</b>	• Acamprosate (oral; delayed-release tablet)

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## Scenario 15: Medication treatment for opioid use disorder

<b>HCPCS</b>	G2067, G2068, G2069, G2070, G2072, G2073, G2078, G2079, H0020, H0033, J0570, J0571, J0572, J0573, J0574, J0575, J2315, Q9991, Q9992, S0109
<b>SNOMED</b>	310653000
<b>Drug category</b>	<b>Medications</b>
<b>Antagonist</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Naltrexone (oral and injectable)</li> </ul>
<b>Partial agonist</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Buprenorphine/naloxone (sublingual tablet, buccal film, sublingual film)</li> </ul>

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## Required exclusion(s)

Exclusion	Time frame
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members in hospice or using hospice services</li> <li>Members who died</li> </ul>	Any time during the measurement year



### Important notes

#### Test, service or procedure to close care opportunity

- Episode date is the earliest date of service for an observation, intensive outpatient, partial hospitalization, outpatient, telehealth, detoxification or ED visit not resulting in an inpatient stay with a substance use disorder diagnosis between Nov.15 of the year prior to the measurement year through Nov.14 of the measurement year. For inpatient stay or detoxification during an inpatient stay, episode date is the date of discharge.

- Initiation of SUD Treatment must take place within 14 days of the episode date
- Claims must include the visit code, original episode diagnosis and, when applicable, a place of service code
- If the episode was an inpatient discharge or an ED visit resulting in an inpatient stay, the inpatient stay is considered initiation of treatment and the member is compliant

Initiation of SUD treatment through:

- Acute or non-acute inpatient stay
- Group visits with an appropriate place of service code and diagnosis code
- Medication dispensing event
- Medication treatment
- Online assessment with diagnosis code
- Stand-alone visits with an appropriate place of service code and diagnosis code
- Telephone visit with diagnosis code

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## Important notes (cont.)

### Test, service or procedure to close care opportunity

- Engagement of SUD treatment is compliance with the initiation treatment AND 1 of the following between the day after and 34 days after the initiation visit:
  - At least 2 inpatient, outpatient or medication treatment visits (excluding methadone billed on a pharmacy claim)
  - A long-acting SUD medication administration event (MOUD/MAUD)
- Claims must include the visit code, original episode diagnosis and, when applicable, a place of service code
- For members who initiated treatment through an inpatient admission, the 34-day period for the 2 engagement visits begins the day after their discharge

Engagement of SUD treatment when a member meets the criteria for initiation of treatment and proceeds with 2 or more of the following:

- Acute or non-acute inpatient stay
- Group visits with an appropriate place of service code and diagnosis code
- Medication dispensing event
- Medication treatment
- Online assessment with diagnosis code
- Stand-alone visits with an appropriate place of service code and diagnosis code
- Telephone visit with diagnosis code
- E-visit or virtual check-in

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## Tips and best practices to help close this care opportunity

This measure focuses on follow-up treatment when diagnosing a patient with substance use disorder.

- Use screening tools to aid in diagnosing
- Screening tools (e.g., SBIRT, AUDIT-PC, Audit C Plus 2, CAGE-AID and CUDIT-R) assist in the assessment of substance use and can aid the discussion around referral for treatment. Code “Unspecified use” diagnoses sparingly. Screening tools available at [providerexpress.com](https://providerexpress.com) > Clinical Resources > Behavioral Health Toolkit for Medical Providers.
- Schedule a follow-up appointment prior to patient leaving the office with you or a substance use specialist to occur within 14 days and then 2 more visits with you or a substance use treatment provider within the next 34 days
- When a patient is in remission, please remember to remove the original diagnosis and use remission codes:
  - Alcohol abuse in remission (F10.11)
  - Alcohol dependence in remission (F10.21)
  - Cannabis abuse in remission (F12.11)
  - Other psychoactive substance dependence in remission (F19.21)
- If patient has started MOUD/MAUD then they only need 1 MOUD/MAUD follow-up visit in 34 days
- Encourage newly diagnosed individuals to include their family in their treatment
- Although community supports, such as AA and NA, are beneficial, they do not take the place of professional treatment
- Encourage newly diagnosed individuals to accept treatment by assisting them in identifying their own reasons for change
- If you need to refer your patient to a substance use specialist or need to request coordination of care, please call the number on the back of the patient’s health plan ID card or search [liveandworkwell.com](https://liveandworkwell.com)
- The patient must receive an initiation of substance use disorder treatment within 14 days; without this initiation visit, they are not eligible for closing the engagement care gap thereafter within 34 days.
- It is critical to ensure patients who no longer qualify for a SUD diagnoses are noted as in remission using the suitable F code to ensure members do not have a gap in care inappropriately (e.g., F11.21 = opioid dependence, in remission; F10.21 = alcohol dependence, in remission)

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