Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
QI Recipe: Winter Strategy

Focus

MBS items

Why improve this area?

Quality Improvement Ideas

Clinical and QI Resources

Health
Management
of Patients
Identifying as
Aboriginal
Torres Strait
Islanders

- PBS Listings for Indigenous Health Needs
- Medicare for Indigenous Services including PBS, MBS and Closing The Gap
- GP Management Plan (GPMP) item 721
- Team Care Arrangements (TCA) item 732
- GPMP RACF item 731
- Review of GPMP &/or TCA item 732
- Allied Health items 10950-10970
- Health assessment item 715
- Allied Health Follow up items 81300-81360
- Spirometry item 11505, 11506
- Immunisation item 10993
- Follow Up service 10987
- Home Medicines Review item 900

- Improved patient outcomes and quality of life
- Improved patient self-management
- Reduce risk or better manage complications
- Provide multi-disciplinary care
- Burden of disease is high
- Precursor to other chronic disease
- Adherence to evidence based guidelines
- Enhanced systems aligned with Quality PIP (2019)
- Up-to-date MHR
- Evidence to support accreditation requirements

- Create a welcoming environment:
  - artwork/posters/flags
  - culturally appropriate resources/reading material
- Implement recall and reminder system for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients
- Update Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status for all registered patients
- Establish a process for asking all patients about their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status
- Ensure your practice operates under the Medicare Australia guidelines for the Practice Incentives Program - Indigenous Health Incentive
- Undertake Cultural Awareness training with staff
- Speak to your COORDINARE Health Coordination Consultant for additional QI ideas

- COORDINARE SPDS resources:
- Data cleansing supplementary manual, CQI Facilitation Tool and CQI Tracking Tool
- HealthPathways Illawarra-Shoalhaven and HealthPathways ACT-Southern NSW
- RACGP: preventive health assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- Pneumococcal and influenza immunisations for Aboriginal Torres Strait Islanders
- DOH – Health assessments and follow up flow chart
- Culturally appropriate patient education resources
- NSW Immunisation Schedule
- CVD absolute risk calculator
- Get Healthy NSW
- Refer Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients to the ITC program

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