# Osteoarthritis of the knee clinical care standard indicators: 1a-Local arrangements to ensure that patients newly diagnosed with knee osteoarthritis have a comprehensive assessment



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# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Indicator Indicator type: Indicator

**Short name:** Indicator 1a-Local arrangements to ensure that patients newly diagnosed with knee

osteoarthritis have a comprehensive assessment

METEOR identifier: 644252

**Registration status:** Health, Standard 02/08/2017

**Description:** Documented evidence of local arrangements to ensure that patients who are newly

diagnosed with knee osteoarthritis have a comprehensive assessment

undertaken.

Rationale: Assessment of a comprehensive range of factors is essential to clinical decision-

making (Pencharz & MacLean 2004).

Indicator set: Clinical care standard indicators: osteoarthritis of the knee

Health, Standard 02/08/2017

# Collection and usage attributes

**Computation description:** The local arrangements should specify that all newly diagnosed patients with knee

osteoarthritis have a comprehensive assessment undertaken.

A 'comprehensive assessment' involves a clinician taking a detailed history of the patient that includes the presenting symptoms and other health conditions, a physical examination (including measurement of height and weight to calculate body mass index), and a psychosocial evaluation, to identify factors (especially level of pain) that may impact on the patient's ability to do their usual daily activities

and participate in work, leisure and social activities. A comprehensive

assessment should use a clinically validated assessment tool. A range of clinically validated assessment tools is available (see list in the *Comments* section).

'Newly diagnosed' means that the patient was diagnosed or referred with knee

osteoarthritis in the last three months.

**Computation:** Healthcare settings where care is provided to patients with knee osteoarthritis that

have documented evidence of local arrangements, should record 'Yes'.

Otherwise, the healthcare setting should record 'No'.

### Comments:

A comprehensive assessment should use clinically validated assessment tools, such as:

- Disease-specific Knee injury and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score (KOOS)
   (Roos et al. 1998), see survey instrument <a href="http://www.koos.nu">http://www.koos.nu</a>; OsteoArthritis
   Questionnaire (OA-Quest) (Busija, Buchbinder & Osborne 2016), see survey
   instrument <a href="http://iha.acu.edu.au/osteo-arthritis/">http://iha.acu.edu.au/osteo-arthritis/</a>
- Pain and function Timed Up and Go Test and 30-second Chair Stand Test (OARSI 2013), see survey instrument <a href="https://www.oarsi.org/research/physical-performance-measures">https://www.oarsi.org/research/physical-performance-measures</a>
- Pain Verbal Numerical Rating Scale (VNRS) and Visual Analogue Scale (VAS) (NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation Pain Management Network 2017a, 2017b), see survey instrument <a href="http://www.aci.health.nsw.gov.au/chronic-pain/health-professionals/assessment">http://www.aci.health.nsw.gov.au/chronic-pain/health-professionals/assessment</a>
- Depression Kessler (K10) Psychological Distress Scale (Kessler et al. 2016), see survey instrument <a href="http://www.gpcare.org/outcome%">http://www.gpcare.org/outcome%</a>
   20measures/outcomemeasures.html
   and Depression, Anxiety and Stress Scale 21 (DASS 21) (Henry & Crawford 2005) see survey instrument <a href="http://www.depression-test.net/support-files/dass21-dmz.pdf">http://www.depression-test.net/support-files/dass21-dmz.pdf</a>
- Activities and quality of life Workplace Activity Limitations Scale (WALS)
   (Gignac 2005; Gignac, Sutton & Badley 2007), see survey instrument
   http://www.acreu.ca/pdf/WALS.pdf; Assessment of Quality of Life
   (Richardson, lezzi, Khan et al. 2014), see survey instrument
   http://www.aqol.com.au/.

This indicator has been adapted from the *Osteoarthritis quality standard* (NICE 2015).

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Count

Data type: Real

Unit of measure: Service event

Format: Yes/No

# **Accountability attributes**

Other issues caveats: Applicable setting: all healthcare settings where care is provided to patients with

knee osteoarthritis, including primary care, specialist care, hospitals and

community settings.

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care

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