Osteoarthritis of the knee clinical care standard indicators: 4a-Proportion of patients newly diagnosed with knee osteoarthritis with a documented recommendation regarding regular exercise



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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Indicator Indicator type: Indicator

Short name: Indicator 4a-Proportion of patients newly diagnosed with knee osteoarthritis with a

documented recommendation regarding regular exercise

METEOR identifier: 644289

Registration status: <u>Health</u>, Standard 02/08/2017

Description: Proportion of patients who are newly diagnosed with knee <u>osteoarthritis</u> with a

documented recommendation to obtain advice from a relevant health professional for appropriate exercise, or to participate in regular exercise independently or as

part of an exercise program.

Rationale: Exercise reduces pain and improves physical function in patients with osteoarthritis

(Fransen & McConnell 2008; Jamtvedt et al. 2008).

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

Health, Standard 02/08/2017

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age

from:

45 years

Computation description: Both the numerator and denominator include patients newly diagnosed with knee

osteoarthritis. 'Newly diagnosed' means the patient was diagnosed or referred with

knee osteoarthritis in the last three months.

For the numerator, 'recommendation regarding regular exercise' includes recommendation to obtain advice from a relevant health professional for appropriate exercise, or to participate in regular exercise independently or as part of an exercise program. 'Documented' means that the advice provided to the patient or the referral to a relevant health professional to obtain advice regarding regular exercise is entered in to the patient's clinical notes maintained by the

practice (paper or electronic).

Both the numerator and the denominator exclude patients for whom exercise is

contraindicated.

Presented as a percentage.

Computation: (Numerator ÷ denominator) x 100

Numerator: Number of patients newly diagnosed with knee osteoarthritis with a documented

recommendation regarding regular excercise.

Denominator: Number of patients newly diagnosed with knee osteoarthritis.

Comments: This indicator has been adapted from the Health care quality indicators for

osteoarthritis (European Musculoskeletal Conditions Surveillance and Information

Network 2008).

Representational attributes

Representation class: Percentage

Data type: Real

Unit of measure: Service event

Format: N[NN]

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

Reference documents: European Musculoskeletal Conditions Surveillance and Information Network 2008.

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