Low Back Pain Clinical Care Standard: 2a-Evidence of a locally approved policy to guide assessment of psychosocial factors early in each new presentation

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Indicator |
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| Short name: | 2a-Evidence of a locally approved policy to ensure that patients are screened for psychosocial factors early in each new presentation |
| METEOR identifier: | 759556 |
| Registration status: | [Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 01/09/2022 |
| Description: | Evidence of a locally approved policy to ensure that patients are screened for psychosocial factors early in each new presentation. |
| Indicator set: | [Clinical care standard indicators: Low back pain](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/755790) [Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 01/09/2022 |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Computation description: | The policy should specify the:* Process to ensure that clinicians are trained in biopsychosocial pain management and identification of psychosocial factors associated with delayed recovery
* Locally endorsed risk assessment tools available to support clinicians to complete early psychosocial assessment
* Referral pathways to appropriate clinicians with experience in pain management, and psychological and/or physical therapies
* Process to assess adherence to the policy.
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| Computation: | Yes/NoA healthcare setting that has documented evidence of a locally approved policy that is implemented should record ‘Yes.’ Otherwise, the healthcare setting should record ‘No.’ |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Count |
| Data type: | Real |
| Unit of measure: | Service event |
| Format: | Yes/No |
| Accountability attributes |
| Reporting requirements: | Not applicable |
| Organisation responsible for providing data: | Not applicable |
| Accountability: | These indicators are for local quality improvement. Monitoring the implementation of the Low Back Pain Clinical Care Standard (ACSQHC, 2022) will assist in meeting some of the requirements of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards (ACSQHC, 2021). |
| Other issues caveats: | Applicable settings: Public and private hospital emergency departments and primary care settings where care is provided to patients with low back pain (including general practice). |
| Release date: | 01/09/2022 |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care |
| Reference documents: | Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care. Low Back Pain Clinical Care Standard. Sydney: ACSQHC; 2022 |