Low Back Pain Clinical Care Standard: 8a-Evidence of a locally approved policy that defines the process for review and referral of patients with low back pain

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Indicator |
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| Short name: | 8a-Evidence of a locally approved policy that defines the process for review and referral of patients with low back pain |
| METEOR identifier: | 759572 |
| 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 that defines the process for review and referral of patients with low back pain |
| 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:  ·       Indications and timelines for when a patient with low back pain should be reassessed to reconsider their diagnosis and treatment plan  ·       Referral pathways to appropriate healthcare providers and programs to support recovery  ·       Mechanisms to facilitate effective communication between healthcare providers and the patient, and  ·       Process to monitor the effectiveness of the recommended treatment(s). |
| Computation: | Yes/No  A 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: | 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). |
| Organisation responsible for providing data: | Not applicable |
| Accountability: | Not applicable |
| Other issues caveats: | Applicable settings: 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 |