

# Initiation and Engagement of Substance Use Disorder Treatment (IET)

2025

Members 13 years and older

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## Measure definition

The percentage of members with a **new** substance use disorder (SUD) episode(s), that result in treatment initiation and engagement. **Two rates are reported:**

1. **Initiation of SUD treatment:** The percentage of new SUD episodes that result in treatment initiation through an inpatient SUD admission, outpatient visit, intensive outpatient encounter, partial hospitalization, telehealth visit or medication treatment **within 14 days**.
2. **Engagement of SUD treatment:** The percentage of new SUD episodes that have evidence of treatment engagement **within 34 days of initiation**.

**Intake period:** November 15 of the year prior to the measurement year–November 14 of the measurement year

### SUD episodes include:

- Alcohol use disorder
- Opioid use disorder
- Other substance use disorder



### Medical record requirements

- Member legal name and date of birth
- Provider/practice identifier
- Provider Business Group (PBG) name and number
- Date of service (DOS)
- Applicable lab/test results and date collected



### Commonly used claim codes\*

(Not all-inclusive; can submit through electronic clinical data systems)

- Alcohol abuse, uncomplicated: **F10.10**
- Opioid abuse, uncomplicated: **F11.10**
- Substance use disorder services: **99408**
- Partial hospitalization or intensive outpatient: **0905, 0907, 0912, 0913**
- Telephone visits: **98966, 98967, 98968**
- Inpatient stay: **0101, 0100, 0207**

Medical record submission methods may not be applicable to all plan types.  
For more details, you can reach out to your HEDIS plan representative.

## Required exclusions (Other exclusions may also apply)

- Members who:
  - Use hospice services or elect to use a hospice benefit anytime during the measurement year
  - Have died any time during the measurement year

## Insights and recommendations

- Initiate SUD treatment within 14 days of an episode
- Prompt engagement of SUD treatment within 34 days of initiation
- Explain to members the importance of timely follow-up care
- Coordinate care between behavioral health and primary care physicians
- Get family involved
- Ask about their story and what recovery would mean to them
- Assess and refer members with any social determinants of health concerns
- Document current phone numbers, address and alternate contact person for follow-up outreach
- Discuss co-occurring conditions to address additional health concerns and potential barriers

\*FOR COMMONLY USED CODES: Not a comprehensive list of codes.

For measures that require claims data only, we cannot accept supplemental data sources such as data feeds and medical record collection methods.

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