WHAT IS THE FUI MEASURE LOOKING AT?
The percentage of acute inpatient episodes for members age 13+ seen for substance use who had a follow-up visit for substance use disorder

WHY IS THE FUI MEASURE IMPORTANT?
Individuals receiving SUD care in high intensity settings are especially vulnerable to losing contact with the health care system after discharge. Failure to ensure timely follow-up can result in negative outcomes such as continued substance use, relapse, high utilization of intensive care services and mortality.

WHO IS INCLUDED IN THE MEASURE?
Members with an inpatient stay with a principal diagnosis of substance abuse disorder

 Applies to members aged 13+; Commercial, Medicaid and Medicare LOB are included.

WHEN DOES A MEMBER ‘PASS’ THE MEASURE?
When there is a follow-up visit with any practitioner within 7 (or 30) days after the episode / discharge date

Please note: Visits may NOT occur on the same date of discharge

What qualifies as a follow up visit?
Any of the following, with a principal diagnosis of substance use disorder:
- An acute or non acute inpatient admission
- Residential behavioral health stay
- An outpatient visit
- Telehealth
- Intensive outpatient visit or partial hospitalization
- Residential behavioral health treatment
- A telephone visit
- An online assessment
- A pharmacotherapy dispensing event

WHICH MEMBERS ARE EXCLUDED?
Non-acute inpatient stays are excluded

Members on hospice are also excluded

WHAT CAN PROVIDERS DO TO IMPROVE FUI RATES?
- Use appropriate documentation and correct coding
- Maintain appointment availability for patient with recent hospital admissions
- Explain the importance of follow-up to your patients
- Coordinate assistance for members with competing social demands including childcare, transportation, and housing that otherwise prevent them from attending treatment appointments.
- Reach out to patients who do not keep initial appointments and reschedule them as soon as possible
- Telehealth visits with the appropriate principle diagnosis will meet the follow-up criteria
- Provide timely submission of claims and encounter data
What are the Discharge Codes that need a Follow-Up Visit?
These are some common ICD-10 codes for substance abuse that need a follow up visit within 7 (or no longer than 30) days after the Inpatient or Detox visit:


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