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# NICE indicator guidance

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## Indicator NM105

The percentage of patients with COPD with a record of FEV1 in the preceding 12 months.

## Indicator type

General practice indicator suitable for use in the Quality and Outcomes Framework.

## Rationale

This indicator aligns with NICE guidance to promote an annual review for all people with COPD that includes a FEV1 measurement. An annual review is considered appropriate, since the COPD register includes all people with COPD, of whom a significant proportion are likely to have stage 1–3 COPD.

## Source guidance

[Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in over 16s: diagnosis and management](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng115). NICE guideline NG115 (2018, updated 2019), recommendation 1.2.138.

## Specification

Numerator: The number of patients in the denominator with a record of FEV1 in the preceding 12 months.

Denominator: The number of patients with COPD.

Calculation: (Numerator/denominator)\*100

Exclusions: None

Minimum population: The indicator would be appropriate to assess performance at individual general practice level.

## Further information

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