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Primary Care Quality and Outcomes Framework Indicator Advisory Committee recommendations

Indicator area: Diabetes

Recommended Indicator:

The practice can produce a register of all patients aged 17 years and over with diabetes mellitus which specifies the type of diabetes where a diagnosis has been confirmed

Background

The Primary Care Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) Indicator Advisory Committee (AC) met in June 2011 to consider the results of a review of a number of QOF indicators. This report is taken from the full unconfirmed minutes of this two day meeting and presents the AC's considerations and recommendations following a review of the 2009/10 QOF indicator DM19.

QOF Indicator Advisory Committee recommendations

Wording of the reviewed indicator presented to the June 2011 AC:

DM19:The practice can produce a register of all patients aged 17 years and over with diabetes mellitus, which specifies whether the patient has Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes

The Retirement, Thresholds and Review subgroup provided the Committee with an update of the discussions between members of the subgroup on the diabetes register. The Committee noted that there was agreement among the subgroup that there would be some people eligible for inclusion on the diabetes register who would benefit from the care incentivised in the diabetes domain that are currently not included e.g. those with a code of 'diabetes unspecified' or other types of diabetes.

The Committee recognised that there was consensus among the subgroup that the diabetes register should be amended to include other types of diabetes and the QOF guidance could be adequately updated to reflect the RCGP guidelines on the classification of diabetes. The Advisory Committee agreed with the recommendation to amend the diabetes register to include other types of diabetes.

QOF Indicator Advisory Committee final recommendation

The Committee recommended that the QOF diabetes register indicator is amended to include other types of diabetes.