

# Bipolar, schizophrenia and other psychoses: register (lithium therapy)

NICE indicator

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## Indicator

The contractor establishes and maintains a register of patients with schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder and other psychoses and other patients on lithium therapy.

## Indicator type

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

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## Rationale

This indicator establishes a register of people with schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder and other psychoses and other patients on lithium therapy with the aim of facilitating subsequent support.

## Source guidance

- [Psychosis and schizophrenia in adults: prevention and management. NICE guideline CG178 \(2014\), recommendation 1.5.3.1](#)
- [Psychosis and schizophrenia in children and young people: recognition and management. NICE guideline CG155 \(2013, updated 2016\)](#)
- [Bipolar disorder: assessment and management. NICE guideline CG185 \(2014, updated 2023\), recommendation 1.2.10](#)

## Specification

A register of people with schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder and other psychoses and other patients on lithium therapy.

Exclusions: People with no lithium treatment code in the last 6 months of the reporting period.

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