



Diabetes: annual urinary albumin (children T2DM)

NICE indicator

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Indicator

Proportion of children and young people aged under 18 years with type 2 diabetes who have had their urinary albumin recorded in the previous 12 months.

Indicator type

Network / system level indicator. The indicator would be appropriate to understand and report on the performance of networks or systems of providers.

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Rationale

This indicator aims to reduce the risk of developing nephropathy in children and young people with type 2 diabetes. Measurements of urinary albumin loss are the best screening tests for diabetic nephropathy. The presence of urinary microalbuminuria is a pointer to the need for more rigorous management of cardiovascular risk factors.

Source guidance

[Diabetes \(type 1 and type 2\) in children and young people: diagnosis and management](#).
[NICE guideline NG18](#) (2015, updated 2023), recommendation 1.3.74

Specification

Numerator: The number of people in the denominator who had their urinary albumin recorded in the previous 12 months.

Denominator: The number of children and young people aged under 18 years with type 2 diabetes.

Calculation: Numerator divided by the denominator, multiplied by 100.

Exclusions: None.

Personalised care adjustments or exception reporting should be considered to account for situations where the patient declines, does not attend or if measuring urinary albumin is not appropriate.

Data source: [National Paediatrics Diabetes Audit](#) and [National Diabetes Audit Young](#)

People with Type 2 Diabetes Dashboard.

Expected population size: The National Diabetes Audit Young People with Type 2 Diabetes Dashboard 2022 to 2023 shows that 0.004% of people in England are aged under 18 years with type 2 diabetes: 0.4 per 10,000 patients served by a network. There is no minimum number of patients required for network level indicators. However, consideration should be given to whether the majority of results would require suppression because of small numbers.

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