

Developmental Screening, Referral to Early Intervention, and Follow Up

To Meet ABP Credit for this Activity

1. You should maintain your own record of which patient charts you reviewed and the dates, as proof that chart reviews were conducted.
2. You must review 30 charts total for KCAs 1-3 (10 from each age group for the developmental screening). You should use those 30 charts to select 10 charts that meet the criteria for the the remaining KCAs (4-6).
3. To meet criteria for KCAs 4-6, create and maintain a developmental screening EI referral tracking log. See sample tracking log included in the training resource tab or use tools available in your EMR to create an accessible tracking log there. Develop an internal protocol to track patients who have a positive screen to ensure they receive a referral to an EI program. and track implementation of the follow-up phone call within 36 clinic working hours (approximately four working days) from assigned staff to encourage the parents/guardians to follow through on the referral.

Directions: Review each patient chart or record individually. Answer the questions on the next page based on whether or not the activity has been documented in the record and EI referral tracking log. These are the same questions contained in the online tool.

Note: The periodic use of a standardized tool for developmental screening in addition to surveillance is the current standard for well child care and is recommended by the Bright Futures Committee of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). It is recommended that children are developmentally screened as part of the well-child visit at 9-, 12-, 18- and 24- or 30-month intervals. Screening may be done at other intervals based on provider preference to make up with a missed screening or to supplement a clinical finding. Referrals into an Early Intervention program are made for children who fail any area of the developmental screening. <http://www.childandfamilyconnections.org/>. For this initiative, we are not collecting data on the 12-month visit.

Six Key Clinical Activities Required

This QI initiative tracks data on KCAs for the 9-, 18- and 24- or 30-month well-child visits. Patients seen one month before or after 9-, 18- or 24- or 30-month well-child visits may be included in data sets.

Exclusion: The only exclusion for each age group is if a child is enrolled in an EI program. In that instance, do not use that patient record in the data set.

Patient Name or Record: _____

KCA 1: Conduct and document that a developmental screening was done at the 9-month well-child visit.

Goal: 90% For charts of patients 8 to 10 months:

Need 10 records

1. Did the patient receive a developmental screening using a validated tool?

Yes No

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KCA 2: Conduct and document that a developmental screening was done at the 18-month well-child visit.

Goal: 90% For charts of patients 17 to 19 months: *Need 10 records*

2. Did the patient receive a developmental screening using a validated tool?

Yes No

KCA 3: Conduct and document that a developmental screening was done at the 24- or 30-month well-child visit.

Goal: 90% For charts of patients 23-25 or 29-31 months: *Need 10 records*

3. Did the patient receive a developmental screening using a validated tool?

Yes No

For KCAs 4-6, only use information from patient records above who screened positive.

Example: If 4 patients total from the groups above screened positive use only those records to answer questions for KCAs 4-6. In this case, the denominator will be 4.

KCA 4: Patient with positive screening received a documented referral to an EI program.

Goal: 90%

4. Was the patient who screened positive on developmental screening for 9-, 18- and 24- or 30-month well child visits during the reporting period referred to an EI program?

Yes No NA (there were no positive screens)

KCA 5: Patient with positive screening had this info added to EMR and EI referral tracking log.

Goal: 90%

5. Was the name of the positively screened child documented in the clinic EI referral tracking log? (If no tracking log was in use, answer "no".)

Yes No NA (there were no positive screens)

KCA 6: Parent or guardian of patient referred to an EI program received a documented follow-up phone call within 36 clinic working hours from clinic staff encouraging parent/guardian to follow through on the referral.

Goal: 90%

6. For patient at 9-, 18- and 24- or 30-month well child visits who received a referral to an EI program, did clinic staff follow up with the parent/guardian with a phone call within 36 clinic working hours, or if parent not reachable by phone with a letter to encourage the family to have the child evaluated for EI?

Yes No NA (there were no positive screens)