

# Tobacco Treatment: An Overview of Cessation Services for Older Adults and Indiana Medicaid Members

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- Aim to reduce the prevalence of tobacco and nicotine use among persons with mental health conditions, substance use disorders, or co-occurring disorders through the following activities:



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Specialized Training



Resources





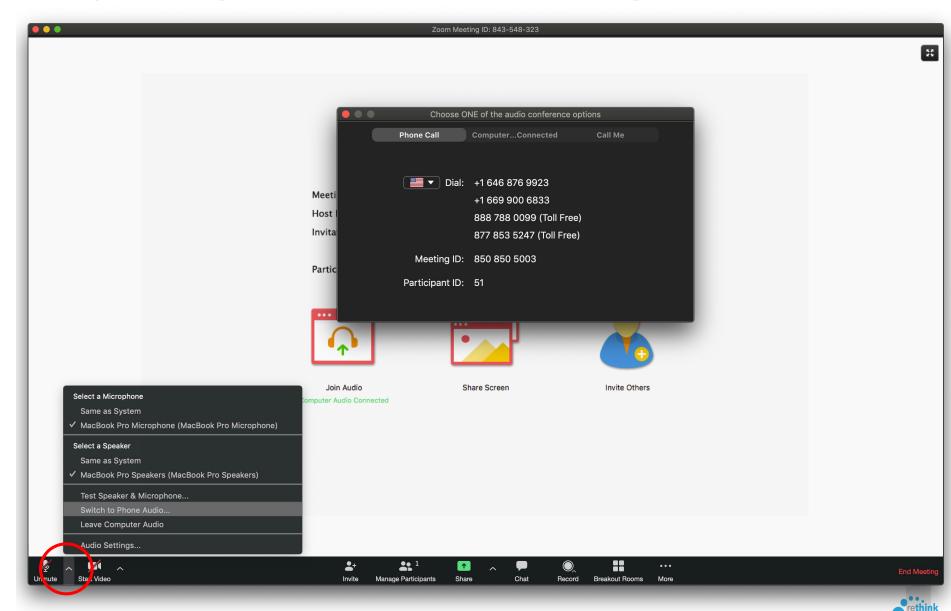
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# **Tobacco Treatment**

### **Cessation Services for Older Adults**

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# **Objectives**

- Tobacco Use Statistics for Medicare Beneficiaries
- Medicare tobacco counseling
- Medicare tobacco counseling requirements
- Coding and Documentation

# Medicare Population is Growing

- Approximately 55 million Americans 65 and Over
- Number expected to increase to more than 80 million by 2050
- Number of smokers in Medicare Population will increase as well

# **Objections**

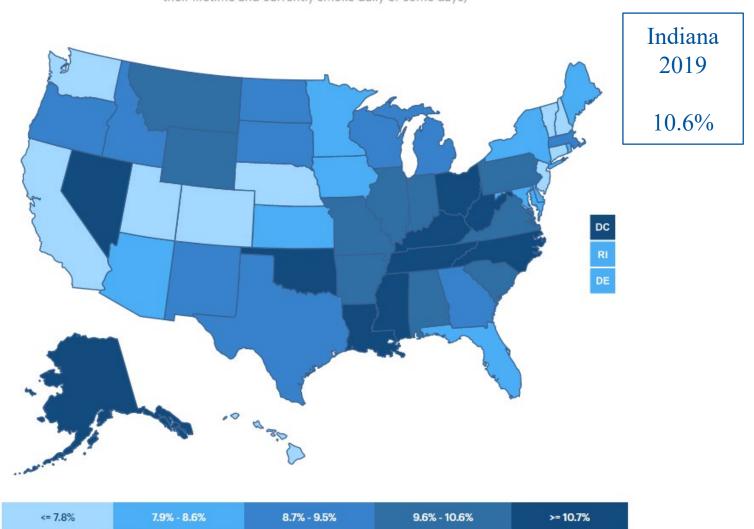
- "It's too late for me"
- "I've been doing it my whole life, why quit now"
- "I hate being told what to do"

# **Overcoming Objections**

- Many patients receive "advice" to quit
- Studies show individuals more likely to quit smoking when offered medications, counseling, or both
- Passive referral to smoking cessation is not enough
- ◆ 5As Ask, Advise, Assess, Assist, Arrange
- ♦ AAR Ask, Advise, Refer

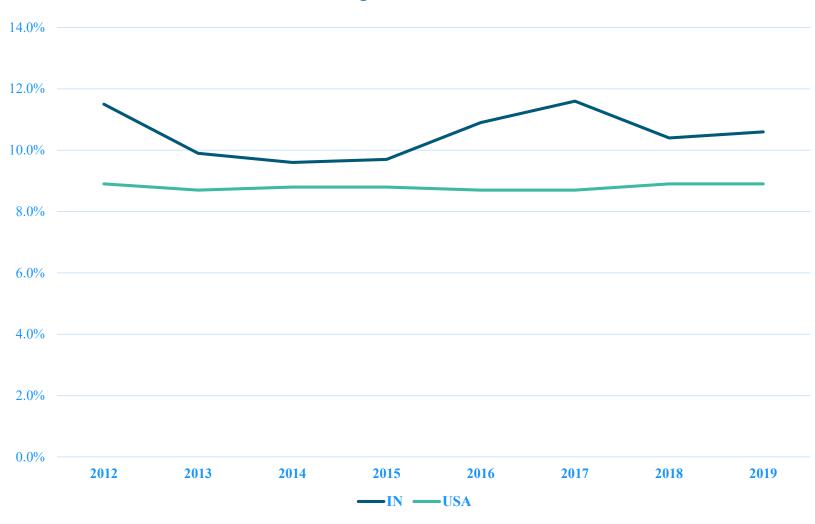
## **Tobacco Use Statistics for Medicare Beneficiaries**

Percentage of the population ages 65 and older who are smokers (reported smoking at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime and currently smoke daily or some days)



### **Tobacco Use Statistics for Medicare Beneficiaries**

Trend: Smoking – Indiana, United States



# **Tobacco Counseling Options**

- Medicare covers:
  - Part B covers up to 8 visits (2 attempts up to 4 visits each) of cessation counseling in a 12 month period
  - Part D plans may cover certain prescription drugs for tobacco cessation
- Medicare does not cover:
  - OTC tobacco cessation treatments

# Tobacco Counseling Costs to Beneficiaries

- No cost for counseling sessions from Medicare participating providers – coinsurance and deductible are waived
- Medicare Advantage plans must cover this counseling without applying deductibles, copays or coinsurance for in-network providers
- Cost sharing for Part D covered prescription medications is allowed

# Tobacco Counseling Coverage Criteria

- Medicare beneficiaries are covered if they:
  - Use tobacco, regardless of whether they exhibit signs or symptoms of tobacco-related disease
  - Are competent and alert at the time of counseling
  - Receive counseling furnished by a qualified physician or other Medicare-recognized practitioner

# **Tobacco Counseling CPT Codes**

HCPCS/CPT Code	Type of Counseling	Description
99406	Intermediate	Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling visit is greater than three minutes, but not more than 10 minutes
99407	Intensive	Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling visit is greater than 10 minutes

# **Tobacco Counseling ICD-10 Codes**

F17.210	F17.211	F17.213	F17.218	F17.219	F17.220	F17.221
F17.223	F17.228	F17.229	F17.290	F17.291	F17.293	F17.298
F17.299	T65.211A	T65.212A	T65.213A	T65.214A	T65.221A	T65.222A
T65.223A	T65.224A	T65.291A	T65.292A	T65.293A	T65.294A	Z87.891

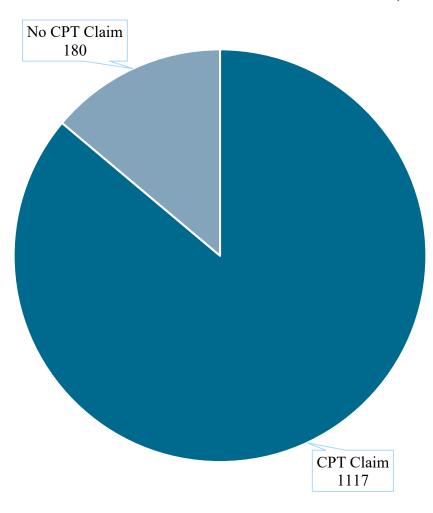
F17 – Nicotine dependence

T65 – Toxic effect of tobacco

Z87 – History of nicotine dependence

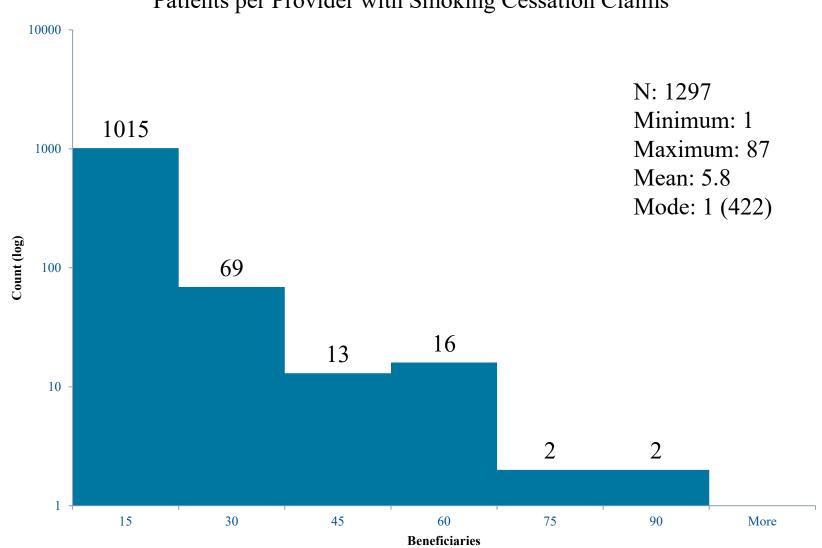
# **Tobacco Counseling Claims**

1 or More Tobacco Cessation ICD-10 Codes (n=1297)



# Tobacco Counseling Patients per Provider





# **Tobacco Counseling Documentation**

- Documentation in the medical record must support billing of the cessation code
- Documentation must include what was discussed and show a significant and separately identifiable service
- Items to document include elements such as:

Patient's tobacco use	Advised to quit and impact of smoking	Assessed willingness to attempt to quit
Providing methods and skills for cessation	Medication management of smoking cessation drugs	Resources provided
Setting a quit date	Follow-up arranged	Amount of time spent counseling patient

#### Resources

- https://qpp.cms.gov/
  - Quality Payment Program Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention
- https://millionhearts.hhs.gov/
  - Tobacco cessation tools to help treat patients who use tobacco

#### Resources

SmokeFree60+ (NIH)

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- www.60plus.smokefree.gov
- National Institute on Aging



Quitting Smoking for Older Adults www.nia.nih.gov/health/quitting-smoking-older-adults

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# Indiana Health Coverage Programs Tobacco Cessation Treatment

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# About the Healthy Indiana Plan Program

- The Healthy Indiana Plan (or "HIP") is a health insurance program from the state of Indiana that pays for medical expenses and provides incentives for members to be more health conscious.
- HIP provides coverage for qualified low-income Hoosiers who are interested in participating in a low-cost, consumer-driven health care program.
  - -HIP Plus
  - -HIP Basic



# HIP Tobacco Use Surcharge

 The tobacco use surcharge is an additional fee applied to a member's POWER Account Contribution when a member self-reports as a tobacco user.



# **HIP Tobacco Use Surcharge**

Tobacco use includes these products:

- Chewing tobacco
- Cigarettes
- Cigars
- Pipes
- Hookah
- Snuff



# HIP Tobacco Use Surcharge

- A member who stops using tobacco can notify their health plan in one of the following methods:
  - -Self-attestation to tobacco disuse to their health plan
  - Or call 1-800-GET-HIP9 during health plan selection period



# HIP Tobacco Use Surcharge POWER Account Contribution

Income as Percentage of FPL	Monthly PAC Single Individual	Monthly PAC Spouses	PAC with Tobacco Surcharge	Spouse PAC when one has tobacco surcharge	Spouse PAC when both have tobacco surcharge (each)
<22%	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.50	\$1.00 & \$1.50	\$1.50
23-50%	\$5.00	\$2.50	\$7.50	\$2.50 & \$3.75	\$3.75
51-75%	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$15.00	\$5.00 & \$7.50	\$7.50
76-100%	\$15.00	\$7.50	\$22.50	\$7.50 & \$11.25	\$11.25
101-138%	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$30.00	\$10.00 & \$15.00	\$15.00



# HIP Health Plan Member Incentive Programs

- Each of the four HIP Health Plans has established a member incentive program to encourage healthy behaviors.
- Member incentives may be financial or non-financial.











# IHCP Covered Tobacco Cessation Drugs

#### **Nicotine Replacement Therapies**

- Nicotine Transdermal Patch
- Nicotine Gum
- Nicotine Lozenge
- Nicotine Oral Inhaler (Rx)
- Nicotine Nasal Spray (Rx)

#### **Non-Nicotine Cessation Meds**

- Bupropion SR Oral Tablet (Rx)
- Varenicline Oral Tablet (Rx)



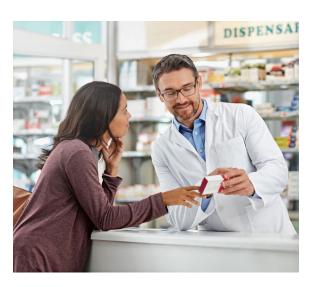
# Why IHCP Tobacco Cessation Pharmacy Claims Deny

- Pharmacist dispensed a product manufactured by a company that does not participate in the federal rebate program
- Step Therapy or Medical Justification required for Nicotine Inhaler or Spray
- Member was a Dual member and pharmacist did not bill legend drugs to Medicare Part D and OTC drugs to Indiana
- Member was Medicare only (not a Dual) and Medicare Part D does not cover OTCs and / or the Medicare PDP has a PA on the drug



## Indiana Standing Orders for Tobacco Cessation Drugs

- Executive Order effective August 1, 2019
   allowed Hoosiers to purchase tobacco
   cessation products at Indiana pharmacies
   without having to obtain an individual
   prescription
- Indiana became the 12th state with a policy or standing order allowing pharmacists to prescribe tobacco cessation product
- View standing order:
   www.quitnowindiana.com/pharmacists





# IHCP Copayments For Tobacco Cessation Drugs

- Effective retroactively for dates of services (DOS) on or after February 1, 2020, the IHCP no longer requires copayments for tobacco cessation drugs
- Tobacco cessation drugs exempt for copayment include, but may not be limited to, varenicline, bupropion for tobacco cessation, and nicotine replacement therapies
- Preferred Drug List (PDL) and utilization management edits may still apply for tobacco cessation drugs

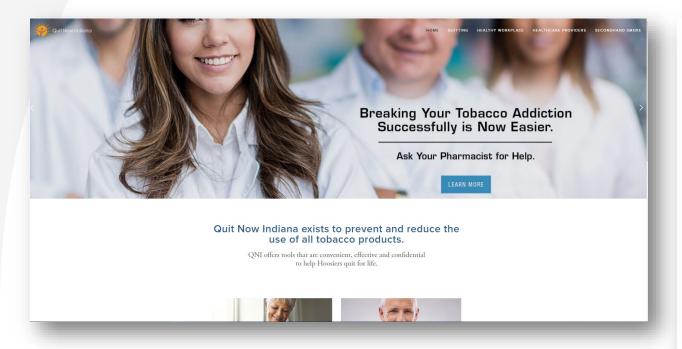
## **IHCP Covered Tobacco Cessation Services**

Diagnosis Code	HCPCS/CPT Code	Unit of Service
F17.200-	99407 U6-Smoking and tobacco use cessation	1 Unit=15 minutes
F17.299	counseling visit; intensive, greater than 10	
	minutes; per 15 minutes	

- IHCP moving toward re-establishing tobacco cessation counseling CPT codes 99406 (intermediate, 3-10minutes) as well as 99407 (intense, greater than 10 minutes)
- 2014-The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) requires insurers to cover tobacco use screening for all adults and adolescents and tobacco cessation counseling to adults and adolescents who use tobacco. Same CPT codes.

# Resources

# www.QuitNowIndiana.com





Stopping tobacco use is one of the best things your patients can do to improve their health. Help them quit tobacco.

#### INDIANA MEDICAID COVERS IT!

ASK every patient about tobacco use. ADVISE patients to quit with tailored, personalized messages. REFER them to the Indiana Tobacco Quitline.

#### COUNSELING

Individual
 Group

Includes referring patients to the Indiana Tobacco Quitline at 1-800-QUIT-NOW

Counseling services must be prescribed by a licensed practitioner and rendered by the following licensed practi-tioners participating in the Indiana Medicaid Program:

- - Clinical Social Worker
- Family Counselor
- Mental Health Counselor
- Registered Nurse
   Licensed Clinical Addictions
   Counselor

Tobacco dependence counseling services are limited to a maximum of 10 units of counseling per member per calen dar year. See Code Billing section for description of units. Billing procedures for counseling services may found in the Mental Health and Ado vider module (Section 2, page 9).

#### OPTIONS FOR REFERRAL:

Fax refer. Forms available at www.quitnowin provider-materials or call 317-234-1787.

2. Online refer. Visit www.QuitNowReferral.com.

For immediate counseling, patients can call 1-800-QUIT NOW or visit www.equitnow.com

#### MEDICATIONS

Nicotine Gum
 Bupropion

Nicotine Inhaler

Reimbursement is available to pharmacy providers for overthe-counter and prescription smoking cessation products when prescribed by a licensed practitioner within the scope of his/her license under Indiana law within the 24-week

up to 180 days per member per calendar year. Treatment beyond 180 days within a calendar year will require the prescriber to document the medical necessity of continue

#### CODES ALLOWABLE FOR BILLING

Diagnosis Code	HCPCS/CPT Code	Unit of Service
F17.200-F17.299	99407 U6-Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling visit; intensive, greater than 10 minutes; per 15 minutes	1 Unit=15 minutes
	Refer to www.IndianaMedicaid.com for additional information	

#### CONTACT INFORMATION FOR INDIANA HEALTH COVERAGE PROGRAMS BY HEALTH PLAN

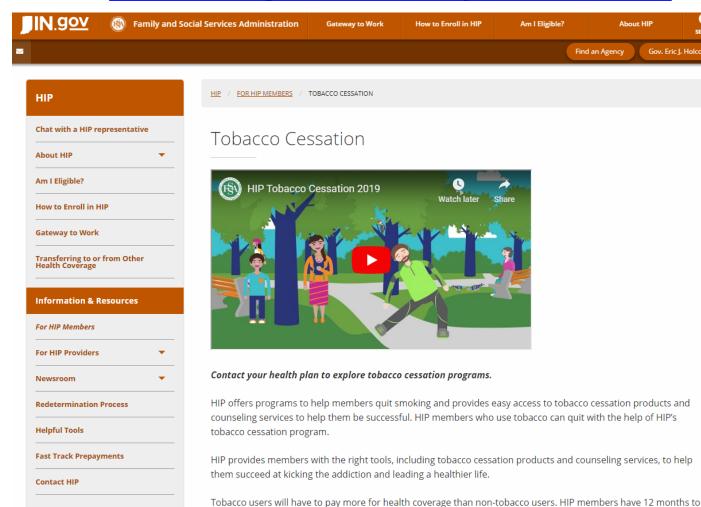
	Anthem	Care Source	Managed Health Services	MDwise
Hoosier Healthwise 1-800-889-9949			9 1-877-647-4848	1-800-356-1204
Healthy Indiana Plan 1-877-438-4479	1-866-408-6131	1-844-607-2829		
Hoosier Care Connect 1-866-963-7383	1-844-284-1797			
TTY Number	Dial 711	1-800-743-3333	1-800-743-3333 or dial 711	1-800-743-3333

Traditional Medicaid 1-800-457-4584



# Resources

# www.in.gov/fssa/hip/2589.htm





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### Tobacco Cessation Treatment Coverage and Benefits

Thank you for your interest. How can we help?

- ✓ I have additional questions
- ✓ I would like to discuss more scenarios
- ✓ How can I suggest policy changes?
  <a href="mailto:PolicyConsideration@fssa.in.gov">PolicyConsideration@fssa.in.gov</a>



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