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Preface

Welcome to Audit 2020!

If you have not previously participated in an Indian Health Service (IHS) Diabetes Audit, please read these instructions carefully before beginning your Audit activities.

Even if you are already familiar with the Annual Diabetes Audit process, there are some changes for 2020. Below is a brief summary of this year's changes and Quick Start Directions.

What's New in Audit 2020?

**New items:** None.

**Deleted items:** None

**Modified items/report elements:**

1. Audit Report – For Hepatitis C screening:
   a. The two existing report items were removed.
   b. One new report item was added: “In patients not diagnosed with HCV and age ≥ 18 years, screened ever”

2. Other minor changes were made to labels and formatting on the Audit form and in the Audit Report.

Due Date for Audit 2020

Data must be submitted via the WebAudit and locked no later than March 16, 2020.
Quick Start Directions
For Electronic Audits

Using the IHS Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS):

1. Select Diabetes Management System (menu item “DMS”).
2. Select Audit Setup (menu item “AS”).
3. Select Check Taxonomies for the 2020 DM Audit (menu item “TC”) and review the output.
4. If updates are needed, use Update/Review Taxonomies for 2020 DM Audit (menu item “TU”).
5. Select 2020 Data Quality Check Report (menu item “DQC”) and review the output. Correct data and taxonomies, as necessary.
6. Return to the DMS Main Menu, and select Audit Reporting (menu item “AR”).
7. Select 2020 Diabetes Audit (menu item “DM20”).
8. Enter the Audit Date (this is the ending date of the one-year Audit period). The date for the 2020 Annual Audit submitted to IHS Division of Diabetes is 12/31/2019.
9. Select the template or register that includes all of the eligible patients for your Annual Audit.
10. Select patients with a particular status, if necessary.
11. Decide which of the eligible patients to include in your Audit, using the following options:
   a. You can limit the Audit to a particular provider or a particular community (select “No” for the 2020 Annual Audit).
   b. You can include only Indian/Alaska Native patients, only Non-Indian/Alaska Native patients, or all patients (select “1” to include only Indian/Alaska Native patients for the 2020 Annual Audit).
   c. You can include or exclude pregnant patients in the Audit (select “E” to exclude pregnant patients for the 2020 Annual Audit).
   d. You can include all or a random sample of the patients selected so far (select “A” to include all patients for the 2020 Annual Audit).
12. Select option 2 to create an Audit Export File that can be uploaded into the WebAudit. This file is in delimited text format. Note the total number of patients to be included in the file; this number will be entered into the WebAudit using the Facility Information Tool.
13. Enter a name for the file that will be created.
14. Select “E” to exclude DEMO patients from the 2020 Annual Audit.
15. Access the WebAudit and enter the facility information. See Section 4, p. 11.
16. Obtain the Audit Export File and upload it to the WebAudit. See Section 4, p.11.
17. Clean and edit the data, as necessary. See Section 6, p.16.
18. Review the Audit Report and, if desired, other reports. See Section 7, p.16.
19. Once all data has been submitted and all cleaning/editing is complete, “lock” the data for the facility. See Section 8, p.17.

2020 IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit Instructions
Using medical record software other than RPMS (e.g., NextGen, Cerner):

1. Contact the Audit team (diabetesaudit@ihs.gov) and your Area Diabetes Consultant to let them know that you are planning to conduct an electronic Audit and request resources.

2. Work with IT and other personnel at your facility to identify eligible patients with diabetes and create an electronic Audit data file in the format specified for Audit 2020 (see Appendix A, p.19).

3. Follow steps 15-19 above.

For Manual Audits

1. From a listing of diabetes patients at your facility that meet the inclusion and exclusion criteria, randomly select the appropriate number of charts to review. See Section 5, p.11.

2. Review the 2020 Audit form and instructions, including Appendix B on p.27, with all chart reviewers.

3. Review and complete an Audit 2020 paper form for each chart selected. Be sure to provide data for all relevant items.

4. Access the WebAudit and enter the facility information. See Section 5, p.15.

5. Enter the data from each paper Audit form into the WebAudit. See Section 5, p.15.

6. Check and edit the data as necessary. See Section 6, p.16.

7. Review the Audit Report and, if desired, other reports. See Section 7, p.16.

8. Once all data has been entered and checking/editing is complete, “lock” the data for the facility. See Section 8, p.17.
Section 1. Introduction

The Indian Health Service (IHS) Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit (“the Audit”) is a process for assessing diabetes care and health outcomes for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) people with diagnosed diabetes. The *IHS Diabetes Standards of Care and Clinical Practice Resources*¹ provide the basis for the Audit. Together, these resources can help IHS, tribal, and urban (I/T/U) facilities work towards the goal of providing all AI/AN diabetes patients with the highest quality of care.

To conduct an Audit, facility staff gather data for patients with diabetes by one of two methods:

- **Electronic Audit**: Extraction of data from an electronic medical record system into a data file formatted according to the specifications for the current year, usually via the IHS Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS). The electronic data file is then uploaded into a central database via the WebAudit Upload Data tool.

- **Manual Audit**: Manual chart review, where one physically examines the medical record for each patient and uses the information to complete a paper Audit form. Data from the completed Audit forms are then entered into a central database via the WebAudit Data Entry tool.

Generally, active diabetes patients receiving the majority of their primary care at the facility are eligible to be included in the Audit. For electronic Audits, all eligible patients should be included. For those performing a manual Audit, guidance for selecting patients and charts is provided in this document, along with standard definitions for each data item.

Facilities are encouraged to review their Audit results in a team setting and use them to identify their strengths and areas needing improvement. They can then establish priorities and develop an action plan with a timetable for reevaluation.

The Division of Diabetes recommends conducting an Audit annually or even more frequently, to monitor care patterns and changes over time. Once each year, facilities submit Audit data to the IHS Division of Diabetes for centralized processing and analysis, referred to as the Annual Diabetes Audit. The data are aggregated and used to generate reports with nationwide information for IHS leadership, Congress, and other stakeholders. Using a uniform process and standardized definitions provides consistency and allows valid comparison of each facility’s results with the results for their Area and IHS overall.

¹[https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/](https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/)

2020 IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit Instructions
Section 2. Identifying Patients to Audit: Inclusions and Exclusions

A critical task in performing the Audit is determining which diabetes patients to include.

First, identify patients who meet all of the following criteria:

1. Have a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus.
2. Are American Indian or Alaska Native.
3. Have at least one visit to any of the following clinics during the one-year Audit period (numbers in parentheses are IHS specific clinic codes):
   a. General (01)
   b. Diabetic (06)
   c. Internal Medicine (13)
   d. Pediatric (20)
   e. Family Practice (28)
   f. Chronic Disease (50)
   g. Endocrinology (69)

Then, exclude patients who:

1. Received the majority of their primary care during the Audit period outside of your facility.
2. Are currently on dialysis AND received the majority of their primary care during the Audit period at the dialysis unit.
3. Have died before the end of the Audit period.
4. Were pregnant during any part of the Audit period.
5. Have prediabetes (as determined by documented diagnosis or impaired fasting glucose [IFG], impaired glucose tolerance [IGT], or elevated A1c level).
6. Have moved – permanently or temporarily.

Section 3. Electronic Auditing vs. Manual Chart Review

Information on diabetes care elements and outcome measures may be collected in one of two ways: 1) by extracting data from an electronic medical record system into a data file formatted according to the specifications for the current year (an electronic Audit) or 2) by manually reviewing medical charts and completing paper forms (a manual Audit). Although RPMS is most commonly used for electronic Audits, other medical records systems may also be able to extract data for an electronic Audit.
Table 1 provides a comparison of manual vs. electronic Audits.

### Table 1. Key Characteristics of Manual vs. Electronic Audits

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There are pros and cons for both methods. In particular,

**Manual:**
1. Accuracy is subject to proper documentation in the paper or electronic chart.
2. Usually requires more time.
3. Not subject to limitations of electronic medical record systems.

**Electronic:**
1. Accuracy is subject to proper documentation, coding, and data entry in RPMS or other health record system.
2. Requires time and attention for initial set up, including understanding and updating taxonomies for RPMS/DMS.
3. Usually requires less time, once initial set up is complete.
4. May require troubleshooting, including manual review of selected charts, if results are very different from what is observed or expected or if potential errors are found.

The IHS Division of Diabetes encourages the use of electronic Audits whenever feasible.

Facilities wishing to transition from a manual to an electronic Audit should *initially* run simultaneous manual and electronic Audits to compare the results. These results should be very similar, if not identical. If the results for any of the Audit elements are different, the reason needs to be found and addressed. Once the differences are resolved, electronic auditing can then be used as the primary source of Audit data.

Once your facility decides what type of Audit to conduct for the current year, follow the appropriate section of these instructions: Section 4 on p.9 for electronic Audits or Section 5 on p.11 for manual Audits.
Section 4. Performing an Electronic Audit

RPMS and certain other electronic medical record systems are capable of extracting Audit data from their databases into a data file formatted for uploading into the WebAudit.

The sections that follow give a brief, step-by-step synopsis of the Audit process using the RPMS Diabetes Management System (DMS). More detailed information is available in the DMS Audit and User Manuals. Links to both of these documents are available on the Audit resources webpage.²

In order to use the DMS application you need to have the proper access keys, otherwise, the necessary menu items will not be available to you. Contact your local RPMS site manager if you need assistance.

a. Creating an Audit Data File Using RPMS DMS

Before creating an Audit data file:

1. Review the following taxonomies and update as needed to ensure that they are present, accurate, and complete: Medications, Lab Tests, and Education Topics.

2. Prepare a list of all patients that meet the Audit inclusion/exclusion criteria (Section 2, p.7). This can be done in a number of ways, including:
   a. Review and update the diabetes register, as needed, so that it includes only eligible patients or some way to identify eligible patients (e.g., by status).
   b. Create a template of the diabetes patients at your facility that meet the Audit criteria.

3. Run and review the DMS Data Quality Check Report and fix as many errors as possible. This report lists potential errors in the data extracted for your Audit - the same errors checked for by the WebAudit Data Quality Check. In addition, the DMS version of the report includes patient identifiers, which the WebAudit version does not.

To create an Audit data file:

1. In the Diabetes Management System (DMS) menu, select “AR” for Audit Reporting.

2. Select “DM20” for 2020 Diabetes Audit. Note: If “DM20” is not on your menu, then the DMS patch for Audit 2020 has not yet been installed. Ask your RPMS site manager to install BDM Version 2.0 Patch 13.

3. Enter Audit Date, which is the ENDING date of the one-year Audit period. For the Annual Audit submitted to the IHS Division of Diabetes, enter 12/31/2019 to use the prior calendar year as the Audit period (January 1 – December 31, 2019).

4. Select the template or register that includes all of the eligible patients for your Annual Audit.

5. Select patients with a particular status, if necessary.

²https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/audit-resources/
6. Decide which patients to include in your Audit, using the following options:
   a. You can limit the Audit to a particular provider or a particular community (select "No" for the 2020 Annual Audit data submitted to the IHS Division of Diabetes).

   b. You can include only Indian/Alaska Native patients, only Non-Indian/Alaska Native patients, or all patients (select "1" to include only Indian/Alaska Native patients for the 2020 Annual Audit).

   c. You can include or exclude pregnant patients in the Audit (select "E" to exclude pregnant patients for the 2020 Annual Audit).

   d. You can include all or a random sample of the patients selected so far (select "A" to include all patients for the 2020 Annual Audit).

7. Select option 2 to create an Audit Export File that can be uploaded into the WebAudit. This file is in delimited text format. Note the total number of patients to be included in the file; this number will be entered into the WebAudit using the Facility Information Tool.

8. You will be asked to provide a name (3-20 characters) for the data file. It is recommended that the name not include any spaces; underscores can be used instead. For example, you might use: MyFacilityName_AnnualAudit2020.

9. The program will ask if everything is OK to proceed; enter Y//Yes.

10. Select “E” to exclude DEMO patients from the 2020 Annual Audit.

11. You will be asked if you want to queue this request. It is recommended that you enter Y//Yes.

12. A data file with the name provided in step 7 above will be created.

   The file created will be saved in the directory noted on the screen. You will probably need the RPMS site manager or other IT professional to retrieve the file and forward it to you. Keep track of the file name and where you put it! You might want to make a new folder called “Audit Files” on your desktop or in My Documents and save the file there. This is the file that you will upload to the WebAudit.

   Please remember that electronic files containing patient data are confidential and need to be handled accordingly.

b. Creating a Data File Using an Electronic Medical Record System Other Than RPMS DMS

Because all electronic medical record systems have different structures and functionality, it is critical to review the Audit 2020 data file format and DMS Audit 2020 logic before proceeding. Detailed specifications for the Audit data file can be found in Appendix A on p.19. DMS Audit logic is available on the Audit website. Additional resources are available from the Audit team, on request (diabetesaudit@ihs.gov).

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3https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/
c. Uploading the Audit Data File to the WebAudit

After creating an Audit data file, upload it into the WebAudit for data cleaning and report generation. For further information about the WebAudit visit the IHS Division of Diabetes [Audit website](https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/).

To upload a data file:

1. Request a WebAudit account if you do not already have one.
2. Log in to the WebAudit.
3. Select “Facility Administration” from the main or left hand menu. Then select “Enter Facility Information”.
4. Select an Audit Type. For the Annual Audit submitted to the Division of Diabetes, you will select “Annual Audit”. For all other Audits, select “Interim Audit”. Click on the “Go” button.
5. Enter the number of patients that meet the inclusion and exclusion criteria in Section 2, p.7.
6. Click on the “Submit” button.
7. Select “Upload file for this facility” from the onscreen menu or click on “Data Processing” in the left hand menu, then select “Upload Data”.
8. Individuals with access to multiple facilities will need to select a Facility.
9. Select the electronic health record system that was used to create your data file.
10. Click on the “Choose File” button and navigate to your data file, then click on the “Open” button.
11. Click on the “Upload File” button.
12. If the data file upload is successful, you will receive a message on the screen to that effect.
13. If the upload is unsuccessful, you will receive an error message telling you that the file upload attempt was unsuccessful and details about the problems found.
14. Once the file has been successfully uploaded, proceed with checking the data quality, if you have not already done so in DMS (see Section 6, p.16).
15. Generate and review the Audit Report (see Section 7, p.16).
16. When all editing and corrections have been completed, the data may be “locked” (see Section 8, p.17).

Section 5. Performing a Manual Chart Audit

a. Sample Size Determination

For manual auditors, the time requirements of the chart review process generally make it impractical to review all eligible diabetes patients. As such, a random sample may be selected for inclusion in the Audit. The number needed for statistically valid results depends on the number of diabetes patients at your facility that meet the eligibility criteria for the Audit (see Section 2, p.7).
Table 2 (Sample Sizes) on the following pages lists the minimum number of charts you will need to review to be reasonably sure that a difference from a previous or subsequent Audit is a real change and not just due to chance. For example, if your facility has 1000 eligible patients with diabetes, you will need to audit at least 63 charts.

b. Sample Size Calculation Details

The Audit sample sizes in Table 2 were calculated using the following method:

Sample size = n/(1+(n/population)) where n = Z^2*(P*(1-P)/D^2)

**Sample size** = size of sample to be randomly selected from the population of eligible diabetes patients

**Population** = number of diabetes patients that meet the criteria for inclusion in the Audit

**P** = true proportion of Audit element in the population (since this is not known exactly, it is taken as 50% (i.e., 0.5) as the most conservative value)

**D** = (Maximum) difference between sample mean and population mean (Table 2. Sample Sizes lists within ± 10% and within ± 5%, which corresponds to a D value of 0.1 and .05, respectively)

**Z** = area under normal curve corresponding to the desired confidence level:

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### Chart Selection

Charts should be selected using a systematic random sampling process, as follows:

i. Prepare a list of the diabetes patients at your facility that meet the eligibility criteria in Section 2, p.7, of these instructions.

ii. Determine your sample size using Table 2 above.

iii. Divide the number of patients on your list from step i above by the sample size determined in step ii above to get the sampling interval, called k.

iv. Randomly select the first chart to audit from the first k records.

v. Select every k\textsuperscript{th} chart after that one on the list.

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Example: Suppose you need to select 69 charts from a list of 1000 patients.

1. Divide 1000 by 69, to get k=14.4, which is rounded down to 14. So you must select one chart out of every 14.

2. Use any method of random chance to determine which one of the first 14 patients on the list should be selected. For example, you could number 14 pieces of paper with 1 through 14 and have someone draw one. If the number is 5, select the fifth patient on the list and then every 14\textsuperscript{th} patient after that (19, 33, 47, etc.).

Note: It is important to track down charts for all selected patients to minimize bias in your sample.

d. Completing the Audit Form

The 2020 Audit form is available on the IHS Division of Diabetes Audit resources webpage\textsuperscript{5}.

Review the medical chart for each selected patient to obtain the necessary information, using the information in Appendix B on p.27 as a guide. If you cannot find a result in the chart, then for the purposes of the Audit, apply the old dictum: “If it is not documented, it did not happen.”

Finally, please remember that all medical records and completed Audit forms are confidential documents and need to be handled with discretion for personal health information. Do not leave charts and forms unattended. Store completed forms in a secure location.

e. Instructions for WebAudit Data Entry and Processing

Data entry is done via the internet-based WebAudit. To access the WebAudit you must use a computer that can connect to the internet and has a web browser, such as Internet Explorer.

For further information about the WebAudit visit the IHS Division of Diabetes Audit website\textsuperscript{4}.

To complete data entry:

1. Request a WebAudit account, if you do not already have one.
2. Log in to the WebAudit.
3. Select “Facility Administration” from the left hand or onscreen menu, then select “Enter Facility Information”.
4. Select an Audit Type. For the Annual Audit submitted to the Division of Diabetes, you will select “Annual Audit”. For all other Audits, select “Interim Audit”. Click on the “Go” button.
5. Enter the number of patients that meet the inclusion and exclusion criteria in Section 2, p.7.
6. Click the “Submit” button.
7. Select “Enter data for this facility” from the onscreen menu or click on “Data Processing” from the left hand menu, then select “Data Entry”.
8. Individuals with access to multiple facilities will need to select a Facility.
9. Enter the data from each paper Audit form one at a time, taking care to complete every item. To expedite data entry, use the keyboard as much as possible, including:
   a. \texttt{<Tab>} key to move to the next field.

\textsuperscript{5}https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/audit-resources/
b. <Shift><Tab> to move to the previous field.

c. Number keys to enter responses from selection lists (e.g., type the number "1" for Sex=1:Male).

10. When all data on a form have been entered, click on the “Save” button at the bottom of the screen. The system will check for obvious errors. If any are found, they will be noted on the screen.

   Note: If your data entry session gets interrupted for more than 20 minutes and you do not click on the “Save” button, you will be logged off and will lose the current record’s unsaved data.

11. Once all of the Audit forms have been entered, proceed with checking the data quality (see Section 6, p.16).

12. Generate and review the Audit Report (see Section 7, p.16).

13. When all editing and corrections have been completed, the data may be “locked” (see Section 8, p.17).

Section 6. Data Cleaning

It is possible that errors may be present in your Audit data, whether you uploaded a data file or entered data manually. The WebAudit has a tool for checking your data for many different errors.

To use the data checking tool, go to the WebAudit, select “Data Processing” from the left hand menu, then select “Data Quality Check.” Follow the onscreen directions to generate a report of Potential Data Errors. The errors will be listed in a table, with a brief explanation of each one. Keep in mind that some potential errors may not be true errors; they could be extreme but accurate values (such as a person weighing over 500 pounds).

To correct an error, click on the “Edit” icon in the leftmost column of the errors table, which will take you to a screen showing all of the data for the selected record. Make the necessary correction(s) and then click on the "Save" button at the bottom of the screen.

If a potential error turns out to contain an accurate value, consider adding a comment to that effect using the “Add Comment” button in the rightmost column of the errors table.

Note that if you already used the DMS Data Quality Check report to identify potential errors and corrected as many as possible in RPMS, the WebAudit Data Quality Check report should only include those that you were not able to correct in RPMS, if any.

Section 7. Generating Reports and Graphs

The WebAudit provides several reports, including the Audit Report, Means Report, and SDPI Key Measures Report. Graphs are also available via the WebAudit, including Trends and Means.

All of the reports and graphs may be generated from data that was either uploaded or manually entered. Current and previous years’ reports are available for any year with data submitted.

To generate a report:

   a. Select “Reports” from the left hand menu or main menu, then select “Audit Reports”.

   b. Select an Audit Type. For the Annual Audit, you will select “Annual Audit”. For all other Audits,
select “Interim Audit”. Click on the “Go” button.

c. Select the desired year, then click on the “Go” button.

d. Select the desired report(s) and click on the “View Report(s)” button.

e. The selected report(s) will appear on the screen. You may need to scroll down the page to view the entire report(s).

f. To print or save the report to your computer, click on the “Download PDF Version” link at the top of the report, on the right side. The report will open as a PDF document. Use your browser’s print and save options, as needed.

To generate graphs:

a. Select “Reports” from the left hand menu or main menu, then select “Trends Graphs” or “Means Graphs”.

b. Select an Audit Type. For the Annual Audit, you will select “Annual Audit”. For all other Audits, select “Interim Audit” then click on the “Go” button.

c. Click on the “Create Report” button.

d. When the report is ready, a button will appear on the screen that says “Open Report in Excel”; click on this button. Depending on what browser you are using, you may need to download the Excel file and then open it, or it may automatically open to the “Graphs” tab. Select the “Data” tab to see the results in table format.

e. Copy, print, or edit the graphs using Excel menus and options, as needed.

Carefully reviewing the results in the Audit Report and graphs is another good way to check for potential errors in your Audit data. In particular, very low (close to 0) or very high (close to 100) percentages may indicate problems with the data, as can big changes in results from the previous year. If any such problems are found, review your medical records and taxonomies (if performing an electronic Audit) or your data forms and medical charts (if performing a manual Audit). Contact your Area Diabetes Consultant or the Audit team if you are unable to resolve any problems.

Section 8. Finalizing (“Locking”) Data

When the data has been cleaned and corrected and are as complete and accurate as possible, it can be “locked”. Once locked, no further additions or changes can be made, so data should not be locked until you are confident that no further edits are necessary. Locking also submits the data to the IHS Division of Diabetes.

To lock the data:

a. Log in to the WebAudit.

b. Select “Facility Administration” from the left hand or main menu select then “Lock Facility Data”.

c. Follow the instructions on the screen.
Section 9. Resources/Links

IHS Division of Diabetes Audit Website – Form, Instructions, WebAudit access, and other information
https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/

IHS Diabetes Standards of Care and Clinical Practice Resources
https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/

RPMS Diabetes Management System manuals
Link on this webpage: https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/audit-rpms-dms-information/

Area Diabetes Consultant Contact Information

Contact the IHS Division of Diabetes Audit Team
diabetesaudit@ihs.gov

Section 10. References

Appendix A. IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit Data File Specifications for 2020

General Information

1. **Data File Format**: Delimited text, with the following general requirements.
   a. Delimiter must be the ^ symbol, not a tab, space, or any other character.
   b. Line 1 contains the Audit field names in the order they appear below.
   c. Lines 2 and beyond contain the data, with each line representing a single record/patient.
   d. All records must contain a value or a placeholder for all fields. If there is no value for a field (because data are missing or due to skip pattern), the placeholder is one blank space between the delimiters (i.e., ^ ^).

2. **Data Fields**: A list of the fields for Audit 2020 and basic details/requirements for each can be found on subsequent pages of this appendix. Extracting accurate data for many fields requires additional information, some of which is available in the Audit documentation. Other information is specific to the health record system being used and must be determined locally, including documentation of medications and education.

3. **Additional Information and Resources**
   a. Audit webpages: [https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/](https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/)
   b. Contact the Audit team via email: diabetesaudit@ihs.gov
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<td>-If this item=1:Yes, then all other TX fields should=2:No. -If all other TX fields=2:No, then this item should=1:Yes.</td>
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<td>Includes Dulaglutide (Trulicity), Exenatide (Byetta, Bydureon), Liraglutide (Victoza), Lixisenatide (Adlyxin), Semaglutide (Ozempic)</td>
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<td>TXAMYLIN</td>
<td>Prescribed injectable Amylin analog [Symlin]</td>
<td>As of the end of the Audit period</td>
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<td>TXBROMO</td>
<td>Prescribed Bromocriptine [Cycloset]</td>
<td>As of the end of the Audit period</td>
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<td>TXCOLESEV</td>
<td>Prescribed Colesevelam [Welchol]</td>
<td>As of the end of the Audit period</td>
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<td>Prescribed an ACE inhibitor or ARB</td>
<td>As of the end of the Audit period</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No</td>
<td>Commonly prescribed medications include: ACE Inhibitors: Benazepril (Lotensin), Enalapril (Vasotec, Epaned), Fosinopril (Monopril), Lisinopril (Prinivil, Zestril), Ramipril (Altace), ARBs: Irbesartan (Avapro), Losartan (Cozaar), Telmisartan (Micardis), Olmesartan (Benicar), Valsartan (Diovan, Prexartan)</td>
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<td>ASPIRIN</td>
<td>Prescribed aspirin or other antiplatelet/ anticoagulant therapy</td>
<td>As of the end of the Audit period</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No</td>
<td>Commonly prescribed medications include: Anticoagulants: Apixaban (Eliquis), Dabigatran (Pradaxa), Rivaroxaban (Xarelto), Warfarin (Coumadin) Antiplatelets: Cilostazol (Pletal), Clopidogrel (Plavix), Prasugrel (Effient), Ticagrelor (Brilinta)</td>
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<td>48</td>
<td>LLSTATIN2</td>
<td>Prescribed a statin drug</td>
<td>As of the end of the Audit period</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No 3= Allergy/intolerance/ contraindication</td>
<td>-Look for yes, then allergy or intolerance or contraindication, then no.</td>
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<td>CVDDX</td>
<td>Diagnosed cardiovascular disease (CVD)</td>
<td>Ever</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No</td>
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<td>50</td>
<td>TBTESTDONE2</td>
<td>Skin (PPD) or blood test for tuberculosis (TB) done with valid result</td>
<td>Ever</td>
<td># field with: 1=Skin test (PPD) 2=Blood test (QFT-GIT, T-SPOT) 3=Unknown/not offered</td>
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<td>TBTESTRLT2</td>
<td>TB test result</td>
<td>Ever</td>
<td># field with: 1=Positive 2=Negative 3=Unknown</td>
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<td>TB treatment complete (isoniazid, others)</td>
<td>Ever</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No 3=Unknown</td>
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<td>TBTESTDATE</td>
<td>Date of last TB test</td>
<td>Ever</td>
<td>mm/dd/yyyy</td>
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<td>HCVDX</td>
<td>Diagnosed hepatitis C (HCV)</td>
<td>Ever</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No</td>
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<td>HCVSCREEN2</td>
<td>If not diagnosed with HCV, screened for HCV at least once</td>
<td>Ever</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No</td>
<td>Leave blank if value for HCVDX is not 2=No</td>
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<td>RETINOPDX</td>
<td>Diagnosed retinopathy</td>
<td>Ever</td>
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<td>LEA</td>
<td>Lower extremity amputation, any type (e.g., toe, partial foot, above or below knee)</td>
<td>Ever</td>
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<td>FLUVAX</td>
<td>Influenza vaccine</td>
<td>Audit period</td>
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<td>PNEUMOVAX</td>
<td>Pneumococcal vaccine</td>
<td>Ever</td>
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<td>TD</td>
<td>Tetanus (Td, Tdap, DTaP, or DT) vaccine</td>
<td>Past 10 years</td>
<td># field with: 1=Yes 2=No 3=Refused</td>
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<td>Hepatitis B complete series</td>
<td>Ever</td>
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<td>HBA1C</td>
<td>HbA1c test result (%)</td>
<td>Most recent in Audit period</td>
<td># with 1 decimal place</td>
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<td>Most recent in Audit period</td>
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<td>Most recent in Audit period</td>
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<td>Serum creatinine value (mg/dl)</td>
<td>Most recent in Audit period</td>
<td># with up to 2 decimal places</td>
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| 70    | EGFRVALUE  | Estimated GFR (eGFR) value | Most recent in Audit period | # with 1 decimal place | -Use documented value, if available.  
-If no eGFR value is available, but serum creatinine value is, calculate as:  
eGFR (mL/min/1.73 m²) = 175 × (Scr)^1.104 × (Age)^0.203 × (0.742 if female) |
<p>| 71    | UPACRVAL   | Quantitative urine albumin:creatinine ratio (UACR) value (mg/g) | Most recent in Audit period | # with up to 2 decimal places |          |
| 72    | LOCAL      | Local question | N/A | #, single digit, 1-9 | This field is optional and may be left blank for all patients. |
| 73    | LOCALEXT   | Extended local question | N/A | Character (max length=50) | This field is optional and may be left blank for all patients. |</p>
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<td>AGE</td>
<td>Patient age in years at time of AUDITDATE</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td># with maximum of 3 digits and no decimal places</td>
<td>-Calculate as: integer part of difference in days between AUDITDATE and date of birth, divided by 365.25</td>
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Appendix B. 2020 Diabetes Audit Data Element Descriptions

Audit Period Ending Date: Ending date of the one-year (365 day) Audit period as mm/dd/yyyy. Use 12/31/2019 for the Annual Audit submitted to the IHS Division of Diabetes in 2020.

Facility Name: Facility’s name or abbreviation. This is for confirmation purposes only, since the WebAudit will automatically supply and display the name.

Reviewer Initials: Initials of the person doing the medical chart review (maximum of three letters).

State of Residence: The two-character postal abbreviation for the State in which the patient resides. If the patient lives outside of the United States (e.g., in Canada), leave blank.

Month and Year of Birth (Required): Patient’s month (2 digits) and year (4 digits) of birth.

Sex (Required): Patient’s gender.

(1) Male
(2) Female
(3) Unknown

Date of Diabetes Diagnosis: Date the patient was first diagnosed with diabetes. If only the year is known, enter the middle of that year (i.e., "07/01/<year>"). If only the month and year are known, enter the middle day of that month (i.e., 15). Leave blank if year or entire date is unknown.

DM Type: Patient’s diabetes type. If uncertain, mark as (2) Type 2. Keep in mind that not all insulin-using patients have Type 1 Diabetes – in fact, most of them have Type 2 Diabetes.

(1) Type 1
(2) Type 2

Tobacco/Nicotine Use

Screened for tobacco use (during Audit period): Was patient screened for tobacco use as documented in the health summary, problem list, or flow sheet?

(1) Yes
(2) No

Tobacco use status (most recent): Patient’s most recent documented status of tobacco use (cigarettes, chewing tobacco, snuff, etc.) taken from the health summary, problem list, or flow sheet.

(1) Current user
(2) Not a current user
(3) Not documented

Tobacco cessation counseling/education received (during Audit period): Did patient receive tobacco cessation counseling and/or education or referral for counseling during the Audit period? This item should only be completed if patient’s tobacco use status is “Current user.”

(1) Yes
(2) No
Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)

Screened for ENDS use (during Audit period): Was patient screened for ENDS use? In RPMS, this would be documented in the health factors.

(1) Yes
(2) No

ENDS use status (most recent): Patient’s most recent documented status of ENDS use. In RPMS, this would be documented in the health factors.

(1) Current user (documented as a current or cessation ENDS user)
(2) Not a current user (documented as a previous ENDS user or never used ENDS)
(3) Not documented

Vital Statistics

Height (last ever): Patient’s last ever documented height in inches or in feet and inches. Fractional parts of an inch may be entered in decimal form with up to two decimal places (for example, 63 and ½ inches = 63.5, 71 and ¾ inches = 71.75).

Weight (last in Audit Period): Patient’s weight in pounds as a number with no decimal places.

Hypertension (documented diagnosis ever): Does patient have diagnosed hypertension, as documented by problem list diagnosis or three visits with a diagnosis of hypertension ever?

(1) Yes
(2) No

Blood pressure (last 3 during Audit period): Patient’s last blood pressures obtained in a non-ER setting during the Audit period, up to a maximum of three obtained on different days. If there are multiple blood pressure readings recorded on the same day, choose the latest one. For reporting purposes, mean blood pressure will be calculated using the last two or three readings. If only one reading is available, it is used in place of mean blood pressure.

Examinations (during Audit period)

Foot (comprehensive or “complete” including evaluation of sensation and vascular status): Did patient have a comprehensive (“complete”) foot exam during the Audit period that included evaluation of sensation and vascular status?

(1) Yes
(2) No

For additional information about foot exams, see the IHS Standards of Care⁶ and foot care treatment algorithm⁷.

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⁶https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/foot-care1/

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**Eye (dilated or retinal imaging):** Did patient have an eye exam during the Audit period that included a dilated eye exam or retinal imaging?

(1) Yes  
(2) No  

For additional information about eye exams, see the IHS Standards of Care[^8].

**Dental:** Did patient have a dental exam conducted by a dental professional during the Audit period that included examination of the gingiva and mucosal surfaces? It is possible that dental records may be kept separate from the medical records at your facility and will need to be located for review.

(1) Yes  
(2) No  

For additional information about dental exams, see the IHS Standards of Care[^9].

**Mental Health**

**Depression an active problem/diagnosis:** Does patient have depression documented as an active problem or as a purpose of visit during the Audit period?

(1) Yes  
(2) No  

**Screened for depression (during Audit period):** Was patient screened for depression during the Audit period using the Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ), Zung, Beck, or similar depression screening scale, or was it otherwise documented that patient was assessed for possible depression? This item should only be completed if patient does not have depression as an active problem/diagnosis.

(1) Yes  
(2) No  

**Education (during Audit period)**

For additional information about education, visit the IHS Patient Education Protocols and Codes webpage[^10].

**Nutrition:** Nutrition or diet education provided to patient during the Audit period, according to provider type.

(1) RD=Registered dietitian only  
(2) Other=Non-RD provider only  
(3) Both RD and Other  
(4) None=No nutrition or diet instruction documented

[^8]: https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/eye-care1/  
[^9]: https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/oral-care1/  
[^10]: https://www.ihs.gov/forproviders/patiented/
**Physical Activity:** Did patient receive physical activity or exercise education during the Audit period?

(1) Yes  
(2) No

**Other diabetes:** Other than diet or exercise, did patient receive education during the Audit period on any topic(s) related to diabetes?

(1) Yes  
(2) No

**Diabetes Therapy**

Select all prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):

(1) None of the following [Note that if this item is selected during WebAudit data entry, all other Diabetes Therapy choices will be automatically marked as 2:No.]

(2) Insulin [all forms, including insulin aspart (*NovoLog*), degludec (*Tresiba*), detemir (*Levemir*), glargine (*Lantus*), lispro (*Humalog*), others]

(3) Metformin [Glucophage, others]  
   For combination medications such as *Glucovance* (glyburide + metformin), *Janumet* (sitagliptin + metformin), and others, be sure to mark 1:Yes for all components.

(4) Sulfonylurea [glipizide, glyburide, and others, including Glimepiride (*Amaryl*), Glipizide (*Glucotrol, Glucotrol XL*), and Glyburide (*DiaBeta, Micronase, Glynase*)]

(5) DPP4 inhibitor [Alogliptin (*Nesina*), Linagliptin (*Tradjenta*), Saxagliptin (*Onglyza*), Sitagliptin (*Januvia*)]

(6) GLP-1 agonist [Dulaglutide (*Trulicity*), Exenatide (*Byetta, Bydureon*), Liraglutide (*Victoza*), Lixisenatide (*Adlyxin*), Semaglutide (*Ozempic*)]

(7) SGLT-2 inhibitor [Canagliflozin (*Invokana*), Dapagliflozin (*Farxiga*), Empagliflozin (*Jardiance*), Ertugliflozin (*Steglatro*)]

(8) Pioglitazone [Actos] or rosiglitazone [Avandia]

(9) Acarbose [Precose] or miglitol [Glyset]

(10) Repaglinide [Prandin] or Nateglinide [Starlix]

(11) Amylin analog [Symlin]

(12) Bromocriptine [Cycloset]

(13) Colesevelam [Welchol]

If you are unsure about any of the medications that are used at your facility, check with your pharmacist.

**RPMS electronic Audit notes:**

- Only diabetes medications that are active (have been filled or refilled) in the six months prior to the Audit period end date are included.
- If none of the listed diabetes medications are found, then the item ”None of the following” is marked as 1:Yes by default.
**ACE Inhibitor or ARB**

**Prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):** Was patient prescribed ACE inhibitor or angiotensin II receptor blocker (ARB) medication as of the end of the Audit period?

(1) Yes
(2) No

Commonly prescribed medications include:

**ACE Inhibitors:** Benazepril (Lotensin), Enalapril (Vasotec, Epaned), Fosinopril (Monopril), Lisinopril (Prinivil, Zestril), Ramipril (Altace)

**ARBs:** Irbesartan (Avapro), Losartan (Cozaar), Olmesartan (Benicar), Telmisartan (Micardis), Valsartan (Diovan, Prexxartan)

For combination medications such as lisinopril + HCTZ (Prinizide), losartan + HCTZ (Hyzaar), benazepril + amlodipine (Lotrel), and others, be sure to mark 1:Yes for ACE or ARB.

RPMS electronic Audit note: Only diabetes medications that are active (have been filled or refilled) in the six months prior to the Audit period end date are included.

**Aspirin or Other Antiplatelet/Anticoagulant Therapy**

**Prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):**

(1) Yes
(2) No

Commonly prescribed medications include:

**Anticoagulants:** Apixaban (Eliquis), Dabigatran (Pradaxa), Rivaroxaban (Xarelto), Warfarin (Coumadin)

**Antiplatelets:** Cilostazol (Pletal), Clopidogrel (Plavix), Prasugrel (Effient), Ticagrelor (Brilinta)

RPMS electronic Audit note: Only diabetes medications that are active (have been filled or refilled) in the six months prior to the Audit period end date are included.
Statin Therapy

Prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):

(1) Yes
(2) No
(3) Allergy/intolerance/contraindication

Commonly prescribed medications include: atorvastatin (Lipitor), fluvastatin (Lescol, Lescol XL), lovastatin (Mevacor, Altoprev), pitavastatin (Livalo), pravastatin (Pravachol), rosuvastatin (Crestor), and simvastatin (Zocor).

For combination medication such as simvastatin + ezetimibe (Vytorin) and pravastatin + aspirin (Pravigard), be sure to mark 1:Yes for statin.

RPMS electronic Audit note: Only diabetes medications that are active (have been filled or refilled) in the six months prior to the Audit period end date are included.

Cardiovascular Disease (CVD)

Diagnosed (ever): Does patient have a known diagnosis consistent with CVD? This includes coronary artery disease (CAD), hypertensive heart disease, heart failure, cardiomyopathy, heart dysrhythmias, valvular heart disease, stroke, and/or peripheral vascular disease. See the RPMS/DMS Taxonomy listing on the Audit resources webpage for additional details.

(1) Yes
(2) No

Tuberculosis (TB)

TB test done (ever): Patient’s most recent TB test that has a valid result.

(1) Skin test (PPD)
(2) Blood test (QFT-GIT, T-SPOT)
(3) Unknown/not offered

TB test result: Result of most recent TB test. Answer only if TB test done is (1) or (2).

(1) Positive=Last skin or blood test result was positive for TB or patient has known history of TB
(2) Negative=Last skin or blood test result was negative
(3) Unknown

If TB result positive, treatment complete (isoniazid, others): Does patient have documentation of complete treatment for latent (inactive) or active TB?

(1) Yes
(2) No
(3) Unknown

If TB result negative, test date: Date of most recent negative TB test as mm/dd/yyyy.
Hepatitis C (HCV)

**HCV diagnosed (ever):** Does patient have a known diagnosis consistent with hepatitis C?

(1) Yes  
(2) No

**If not diagnosed with HCV, screened for HCV at least once (ever):**

(1) Yes  
(2) No

For additional informational about HCV, see the [IHS Standards of Care](https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/hepc-screening/)

Retinopathy

**Diagnosed (ever):** Does patient have a known diagnosis of retinopathy? See the RPMS/DMS Taxonomy listing on the Audit resources webpage for additional details.

(1) Yes  
(2) No

For additional information about retinopathy, see the [IHS Standards of Care](https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/hepc-screening/)

Amputation

**Lower extremity (ever), any type (e.g., toe, partial foot, above or below knee):**

(1) Yes  
(2) No

Immunizations

**Influenza vaccine (during Audit period):**

(1) Yes  
(2) No  
(3) Refused, if vaccine offered but documented refusal noted on medical record

**Pneumococcal vaccine (ever):** For Audit purposes, administration of a single dose of either the 13-valent (PCV13) or 23-valent (PPSV23) vaccine meets the criteria for this element.

(1) Yes  
(2) No  
(3) Refused, if vaccine offered but documented refusal noted on medical record

**Td, Tdap, DTaP, or DT (in past 10 years):** Has patient received tetanus and diphtheria immunization in the past 10 years?

(1) Yes  
(2) No  
(3) Refused, if vaccine offered but documented refusal noted on medical record
**Tdap (ever):** Has patient ever received tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis immunization?
   - (1) Yes
   - (2) No
   - (3) Refused, if vaccine offered but documented refusal noted on medical record

**Hepatitis B complete series (ever):** Has patient ever received a complete 3-dose series or 2-dose series depending on vaccine type? Note: 3 dose series includes: Engerix-B®, Recombivax HB®, and Twinrix® vaccines and 2 dose series includes: Heplisav-B® vaccine.
   - (1) Yes
   - (2) No
   - (3) Refused, if vaccine offered but documented refusal noted on medical record
   - (4) Immune

**Laboratory Data (most recent result during Audit period)**

- **A1C (%):** When entering the result, omit any “>” or “<” signs (for example, enter >14 as 14). Leave blank if test not done during the Audit period.
- **A1C Date obtained:** Date most recent A1C was drawn as mm/dd/yyyy.
- **Total Cholesterol, HDL Cholesterol, LDL Cholesterol, Triglycerides (mg/dl):** Leave blank if test not done during the Audit period.
- **Serum Creatinine (mg/dl):** Leave blank if test not done during the Audit period.
- **eGFR (mL/min/1.73 m²):** Leave blank if result not documented during Audit period. May be left blank for patients <18 years of age. If no eGFR value is available, but serum creatinine value is, calculate as: eGFR = 175 × (Scr)^{-1.154} × (Age)^{-0.203} × (0.742 if female).
- **Quantitative Urine Albumin:Creatinine ratio (UACR) value (mg/g):** If the result came back as too low to detect (may have a < symbol in front), enter the value 5.

**Local Questions (Optional)**

Facilities can formulate their own supplemental Audit question(s), if desired. These may be used to assess an additional aspect of diabetes care of special interest or to group patients by their primary provider or clinic.

There are two local option questions: a numbered item with responses 1-9 and a text field.

For electronic Audits, responses for these questions can be entered via the DMS Patient Management option. See the DMS Audit Manual for more information.

For manual Audits, these questions may be printed on the second page of the Audit form. For entry into the WebAudit, “Local Option” fields appear near the bottom of the data entry screen.