

## Screening and Referral Programs

<b>Examples of programs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mobile screening programs/health fair screenings</li> <li>• Promotoras and peer advocate programs</li> <li>• Integrated primary care/mental health/AOD screening programs</li> <li>• SBIRT—screening, brief intervention, and referral to AOD treatment</li> </ul>
<b>Sample short-term outcomes and benchmarks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased provider knowledge and skills</li> <li>• Increased early detection/identification and linkages to services</li> <li>• Increased help-seeking and utilization of services</li> <li>• Reduced symptoms / improved recovery</li> </ul>
<b>Key evaluation questions</b>	<p><b>Program implementation questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who is being reached by the program?</li> <li>• How closely do participants match the intended audience?</li> <li>• How many and which patients were referred for additional services?</li> </ul> <p><b>Outcome evaluation questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What proportion of providers increased their knowledge about early screening and referral procedures?</li> <li>• What proportion of patients access and engage in appropriate services as a result of the screening and referral program?</li> <li>• What proportion of participants experience reduced symptoms / improved recovery?</li> <li>• Do improvements in outcomes meet your county benchmark goals?</li> </ul>
<b>Potential data sources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative data: number of individuals screened, number of referrals made, and number of service engagements</li> <li>• Participant surveys</li> <li>• Provider surveys and referral forms</li> <li>• Key informant interviews/focus groups</li> <li>• Standardized screening tools</li> </ul>
<b>Sample measures and tools</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Screening and referral tools (examples):</b> Screening Referral form, External Services form, Child Health Screening form</li> <li>• <b>Screening measures (for specific issues):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>AOD:</b> Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT), Drug Abuse Screen Test (DAST-10)</li> <li>○ <b>General health and well-being:</b> Columbia Impairment Scale (CIS), Duke Health Profile</li> <li>○ <b>Psychological distress/depression:</b> Kessler 6, Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9), Geriatric Depression Scale (GDS)</li> <li>○ <b>Trauma:</b> Primary Care PTSD Screen (PC-PTSD)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Relevant analysis methods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic descriptive statistics, including frequencies, means, and standard deviations (e.g., patient demographics, referrals)</li> <li>• Analysis of positive screening rates by socio-demographic characteristics</li> <li>• Examination of number and proportion of individuals with positive screens, number and proportion provided referrals, and number and proportion engaged in services compared to benchmarks</li> <li>• Examination of screening implementation fidelity (e.g., degree to which providers follow protocols, universal use of standardized instruments)</li> </ul>