**MIPS #431**

**Unhealthy Alcohol Use**

Requires all adults be screened for alcohol use, excludes those with Dementia

* Screen for unhealthy alcohol use using the approved screening method listed below:
	+ Single Question Screening: “How many times in the past year have you had 5 (for men) or 4 (for women and adults age 65+) or more drinks in a day?”
* Brief counseling = one or more counseling sessions a minimum of 5-15 minutes

*Example of documenting use of a systematic screening of Alcohol using the Single Question tool:*

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Click if you asked the patient how many times they have drank and it was more than 5 (men) or 4 (women)

Click if you screened the patient and they did not meet the criteria for unhealthy drinking

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Click if you did the screen question, patient scored as an unhealthy alcohol user, and you provided counseling

After patient has been seen for at least two visits….

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Click if you did the screen question, patient scored as an unhealthy alcohol user, and you provided counseling

\*The CAGE-AID is a great tool and should continue to be used, but you MUST also include the Single Question Screening