

Process Improvement Data Checklist (PIDC)

Implementation of a statewide process improvement performance measurement (PIPM) system must be carried out with consideration of the data-reporting burden on providers. It is **essential** that that the state determines ways that existing information technology capabilities can be leveraged to extract data required for a PIPM system **as early in the project as possible**. Variations in individual state systems will require a more detailed assessment of data readiness. However, the Process Improvement Data Checklist (PIDC) uses simple questions to provide an overview of existing data collection capabilities necessary to support a process improvement based performance management system and will help serve as the foundation for future evaluation and discussions.

Current Capabilities

1. Which of the following data elements are available electronically through the state database? (check all that apply)

Date of First Contact	□ Agency Location Code ¹
Date of Intake	Date of the 3 rd Post Admission Unit of Service
Date of Clinical Assessment	Date of the 4 th Post Admission Unit of Service
□ Client Level of Care	Date of Client Discharge
Date of Admission	□ Total Number of Days in Treatment
Date of the 1 st Post Admission Unit of Service ²	□ Total Units of Service Received
Date of the 2 nd Post Admission Unit of Service	□ Treatment Completion ³

- 2. Does your organization have the capability to report the number of billable units of service during: (check all that apply)
 - □ The period between admission and discharge but not by each distinct treatment episode
 - □ Each distinct intensive treatment episode (currently admission to discharge)
 - □ The follow-up period (in South Carolina, this consists of CM services within one year of discharge--Medicaid
 - □ The recovery support phase (may be at the same time as the follow-up period)

¹ A code to determine the agency location where the service was provided

² A Unit of Service is defined as an individual or group clinical encounter

³ Treatment Completion equals Yes, Transfer or Other for all other reasons