

## POLAR Walkthrough – Quality Improvement Measure 7

*Proportion of patients aged 15 years and above who have not had an alcohol consumption status recorded*

**Purpose:** This walkthrough will demonstrate how to generate a patient list for patients with no recorded alcohol consumption status (15 years old and over).

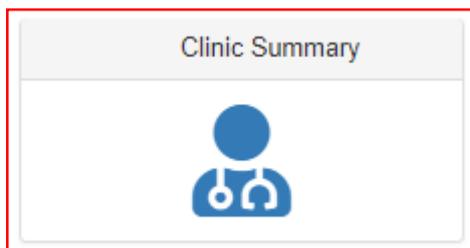
### Patient cohort:

All patients who:

- Are “RACGP active”, meaning they have had 3 visits in the past 2 years
- Are 15 years old and over
- Have *no recorded* alcohol consumption status

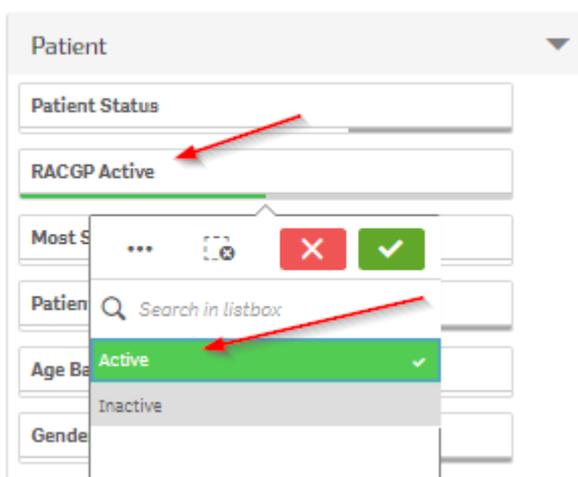
### POLAR Report

#### Clinic Summary



#### 1. RACGP active patient filter

- 1.1. Use the **PATIENT** filters, and select *Active* from the **RACGP ACTIVE** filter list. Remember to select the tick to confirm your selections.



## 2. Patients aged 15 and over

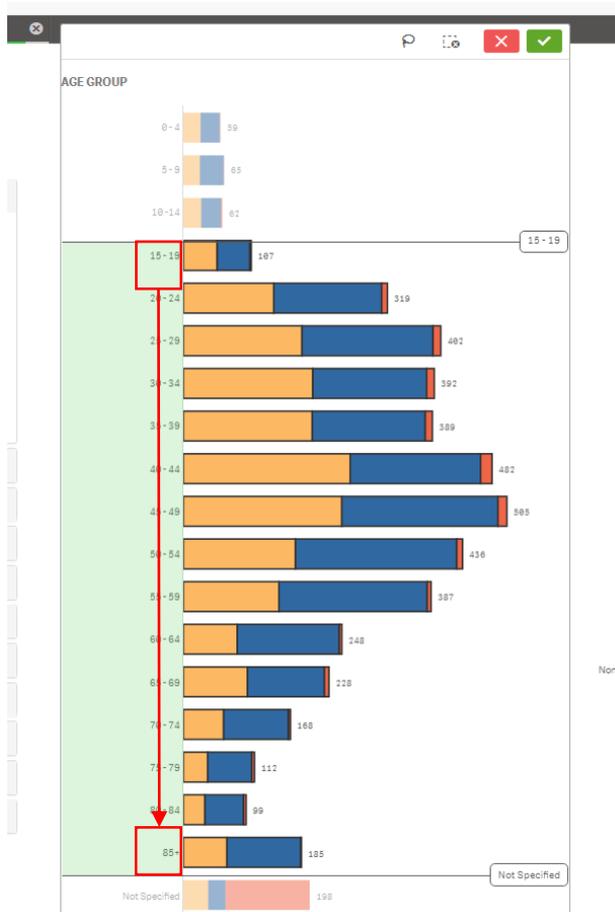
2.1. From the **Patients** menu, select the **Patients** menu item

The screenshot shows the POLAR dashboard with the 'Patients' menu open. The main statistics are:

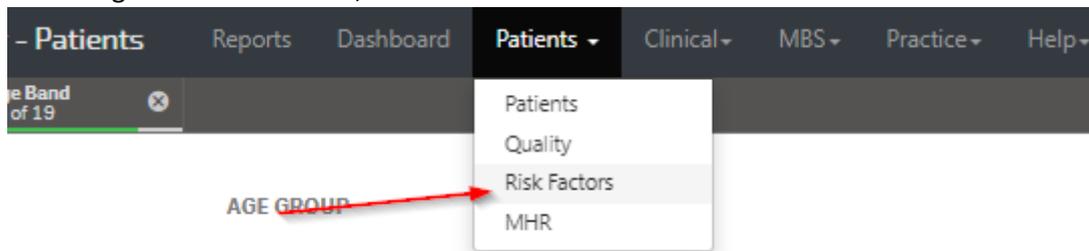
- 4,843 PATIENTS** (Total)
- 4,843 ACTIVE PATIENTS**
- 412 RACGP ACTIVE PATIENTS**
- 22,774 ACTIVITIES**

Filters on the left include: Patient, Patient Status, RACGP Active, Most Seen Clinician, Patient Age, Age Band, Gender, Activity, Provider, and Diagnosis.

2.2. In the **Age Group** visualisation, on the text for the first age group (15-19) click and hold down the mouse button while dragging the cursor down to highlight the remaining age groups. Finally, click the **Green tick**.

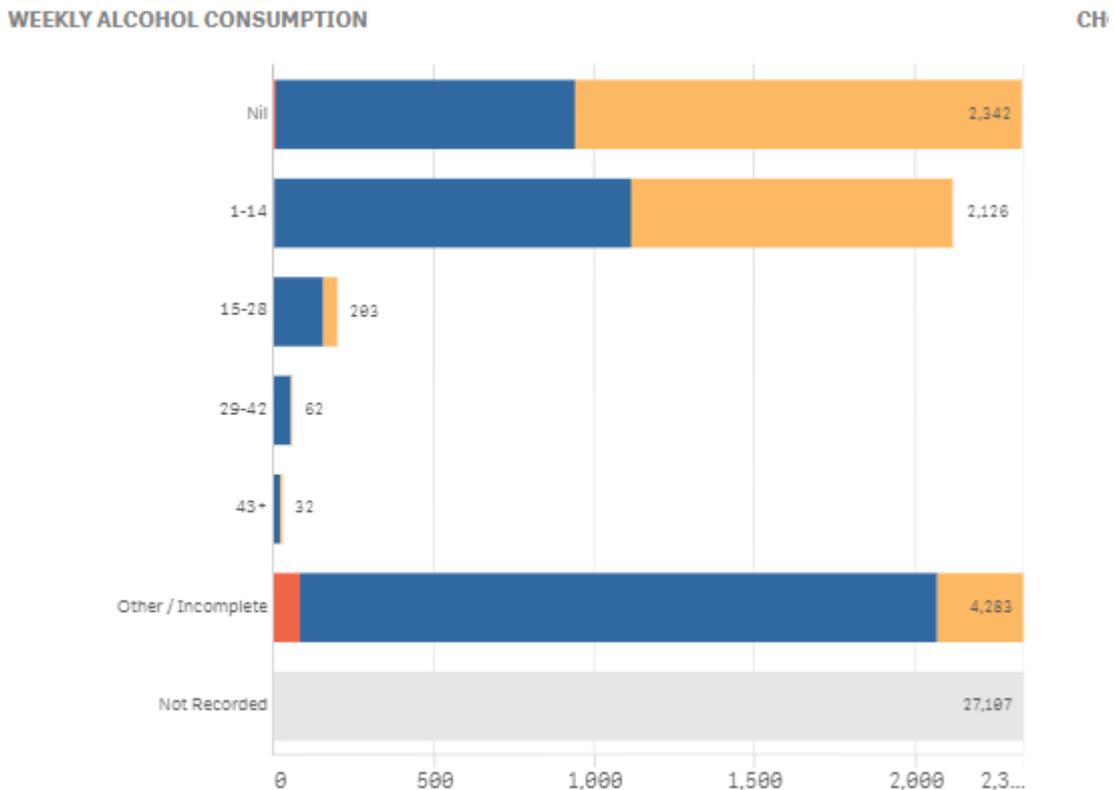


- 3. Patients with no alcohol consumption status recorded
  - 3.1. Using the **Patients** menu, select the **Risk Factors** item.



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- 3.2. From the **Weekly Alcohol consumption** visualisation, click on the *Not recorded* bar.



*Please note: for the purposes of calculating the Quality Improvement measure, any information recorded about a patient’s alcohol status is included in both the numerator and denominator, while the POLAR risk factor page is a precise number of drinks per week/number of nights per week (in line with Audit C). This means that for PIP QI calculation purposes, “Other/Incomplete” is acceptable.*

- 4. Viewing the Patient list
  - 4.1. Double click the **Patient Count** or click **Patient list** to view the patient list

Double click to view list

**Patient Count**

**2,581** 2,515 Active

FILTERS

OR

Patient List Bookmarks

Selections

4.2. At the top of the patient list, click “Export to Excel” as required.

<input type="button" value="Export to Excel"/>			
ID ↑	Surname	First Name	Gender
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

We hope you find this POLAR walkthrough useful. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the POLAR support team:

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