



# Enhancing Behavioral Health Interventions for Depression and Alcohol Misuse

How atom Alliance collaborates with PCPs and IPFs to improve behavioral health screenings:

## PCPs

Primary Care Practices

1

Assess current practice workflow and screening use

**Assess**

2

Identify helpful methods for workflow enhancement

**Onboard**

3

Address psychosocial factors to improve patient care and enhance reimbursements

**Make the Business Case**

4

Perform ongoing training on the enhancements of behavioral health interventions in primary care

**Train and Communicate**

5

Implement screening tools, strengthen referral sources and continue training and communication

**Transform Practice**

6

Share analytics from the National Coordinating Center (NCC) for project feedback and performance

**Analyze Performance**

7

Promote long-term adoption and continuous improvement of screening tools

**Sustain**

## IPFs

Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities

1

Provide technical assistance training and education and serve as a bridge to connect IPFs with the NCC and CMS

**Train and Educate**

2

Help inform of penalties and connect to resources

**Provide Technical Assistance**

3

Promote and assess tele-health follow-up as a referral option

**Advance Use of Tele-Health**

4

Offer strategies to support follow-up, including building and strengthening relationships

**Strengthen Referral Sources**

5

Provide case management and care transitions education to enhance community health services

**Enhance Care Transitions**

6

Monitor 30-day psych facility readmissions to provide feedback and identify best practices

**Provide Performance Feedback**

Primary care practices (PCPs) face considerable challenges in integrating behavioral healthcare into their work and coordinating with inpatient psychiatric facilities (IPFs) to improve care transitions for patients following a psych hospitalization.

In partnership with Cherokee Health Systems (CHS) and Medical Decision Logic, Inc. (mdlogix), atom Alliance is developing and implementing effective interventions to improve behavioral health screenings for depression and alcohol misuse.



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