

Obesity Prevention and Control: Provider Feedback

Task Force Finding

Intervention Definition

Provider feedback interventions involve:

1. Assessing health care providers' delivery of weight management screening and treatment to their clients, and
2. Providing feedback on their performance to providers

The provider behaviors that are generally targeted for improvement are:

- Collection and recording of weight-related measures (e.g., weight, body mass index)
- Delivery of advice about weight loss
- Efforts to assist clients in their weight loss attempts

Task Force Finding (October 2007)

The Community Preventive Services Task Force finds insufficient evidence to determine the effectiveness of provider feedback alone to prevent and control obesity among child, adolescent, or adult clients because no studies of suitable quality were available.

The data presented here are preliminary and are subject to change as the systematic review goes through the scientific peer review process.

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