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**PDSA:** Increase the number of patients with Diabetes Mellitus having had a HbA1c measurement recorded in the last 12 months.

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<p>Goal: What is the overall goal you wish to achieve?          Improving the ongoing management of Diabetes in our practice by ensuring patients with Diabetes have their HbA1c measurement tested at least every 12 months or sooner if indicated.</p>																																									
<p>Idea: HbA1c testing reflects your average blood glucose level over the last 10-12 weeks. This should be done at least every 6-12 months, or more often if required and is part of the annual Diabetes Cycle of Care. The general recommendation is to aim for a reading of 53mmol/mol (7%) or less.</p>																																									
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<p>3) What do you predict will happen?          The number of patients with an active diagnosis of Diabetes having their HbA1c recorded in the last 12 months will increase (QIM 1 (PIP QI Report Graphs))</p>																																									
<p><b>DO:</b> Was the cycle carried out as planned? Yes No, if not why?</p>																																									

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**STUDY:** Record, analyse and reflect on results. Did the results match your predictions?

**ACT:** Decide to Adopt, Adapt or Abandon.

Select		Describe
Adopt	Select changes to implement on a larger scale and develop an implementation plan and plan for sustainability.	
Adapt	Improve the change and continue testing plan. What will be next PDSA cycle?	
Abandon	Discard this change idea and try a different one.	

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**WALKTHROUGH:** Increase the number of patients with Diabetes Mellitus having had a HbA1c measurement recorded in the last 12 months.

Patient Cohort:

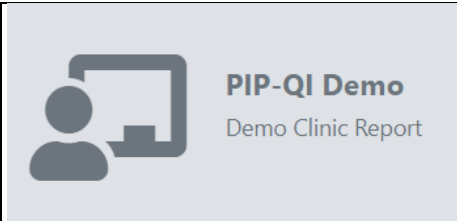
Patient Status Active

Patient status RACGP Active

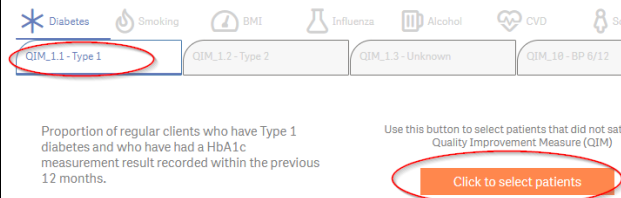
Have an active diagnosis of Diabetes Mellitus any type.

Have not had a HbA1c measurement recorded in the last 12 months.

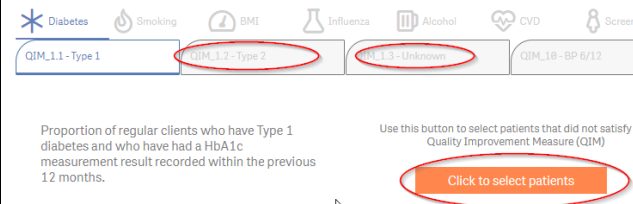
1. Open POLAR and PIP QI Report



2. The report will default to opening in the Diabetes tab and QIM 1.1 Diabetes Mellitus Type 1 Select the orange box to select patients who need to be recalled for HbA1c.



3. Repeat for QIM 1.2 & 1.3 you will then need to amalgamate the lists for recall.



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4. In the overview table you will see for each QIM sub measure that you have a numerator and a denominator. For example in QIM 1.1 the numerator is 18 patients and the denominator is 28 patients. This means you have 28 patients who are active/racgp active and have an active diagnosis of Diabetes Mellitus Type 1 but only 18 of the 28 have had their HbA1c measurement recorded in the previous 12 months.






This is your baseline data

QIM 1.1 Diabetes Mellitus type 1

QIM 1.2 Diabetes Mellitus type 2

QIM 1.3 Diabetes unknown type

## Overview

QIM Group		Metric	Patient Counts	Current Proportion	Trend
Diabetes		QIM_1.1	18 / 28	64.29%	
		QIM_1.2	202 / 272	74.26%	
		QIM_1.3	54 / 86	62.79%	