

## EPIC SYSTEM UPDATE

### Overview of Feature / Changes

**Effective Monday November 4, 2019**, Upstate will implement the **first phase of screening tools and workflows in Epic to monitor patients at risk for substance use disorder**. Standardized tools within Epic allow a systematized collection of **vital information regarding a patient's risk of substance use disorder or opioid management**. Information has traditionally been stored in separate components within the chart. **Integrating access** to prior screenings and substance related problems will produce the **best outcomes and most effective approach for supporting our patients**. **New features will be implemented to help improve access to information and quality of treatment**.

- ✚ **Standardized substance abuse screening for all patients aged 11 years and older (Peds, ages 11-19 / Adults, ages 19+)**
  - In the event a patient is identified as at risk for substance abuse based on the Substance Use Disorder screening, a BPA will trigger with a consult or referral order to Social Work. This workflow will be seen in Ambulatory clinics, the Emergency Departments and Inpatient Hospital contexts.
- ✚ **New York State Department of Health Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) BestPractice Advisory (BPA)**
  - The BPA launches an integrated PDMP within Epic and allows documentation of the PDMP review status in the patient's chart.
- ✚ **Standardized Pain Agreements [[F84067](#)] for patients with long-term controlled prescriptions that can be signed by the patient.**
- ✚ **Patients in Ambulatory, Inpatient, and Emergency contexts will receive the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) handout with their After Visit Summary if:**
  - The patient has not been screened for substance use and is aged 10 years or older.
  - The patient has a positive screening for substance use.

### Education

Please use the links below to review **role-specific education** for Substance Use Disorder monitoring and management:

#### Nursing

- ✚ [Tip Sheet: Nursing – Substance Use Disorder Screening](#)

#### Providers

- ✚ [Tip Sheet: Providers – Substance Use Disorder Workflow](#)
- ✚ [Tip Sheet: Providers – Prescription Drug Monitoring Program](#)

#### Social Workers

- ✚ [Workflow Guide: Social Worker, Ambulatory – Substance Use Disorder Follow-up](#)
- ✚ [Workflow Guide: Social Worker, Inpatient – Substance Use Disorder Follow-up](#)