

Review of Key Changes

Need a summary of key changes to data collection for AIM structure measures? This document is for you! Detailed information on the rationale and changes to the AIM Data Center can be found in the **Structure Measure Update & Transition Packet**.

Note: *This document does not contain detailed descriptions of all changes but is intended to be a summary of most important changes and key points.*

What's Changed?

AIM is updating how the program collects structure measures data for quality improvement. The original scale collected a date a structure was put in place. This did not capture incremental progress towards putting a structure in place or the need to routinely review and maintain established structures.

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 or

Not In Place

AIM's new method for collecting structure measures data is through a 5-point Likert scale that will be completed each reporting period.

Not Started

1

2

3

4

5

Fully In Place

➡ A value of **1** indicates a facility team has not started working on establishing the structure. A value of **5** indicates that the structure measure is fully in place.

- ➔ **There are no midpoint labels on the scale.** Midpoints are intended to broadly represent progress toward establishing a structure or backsliding. This measurement approach prioritizes facility teams' self-assessment of progress towards establishing a structure. AIM encourages state and jurisdiction teams to use reported structure measure data to target outreach to facility teams that have experienced backsliding or stagnation over reporting periods.

What's Next?

- ➔ If you use **the AIM Data Center** to report and/or collect data on process and structure metrics, these key changes will be live starting October 3, 2022.
 - ➔ As you log into the Data Center, you will notice that **all** historic structure measures data have been updated based on a **standard schema**.
 - ➔ You will still be able to submit Q3 2022 structure measures data by using the updated format.
 - ➔ You will not be able to edit or update structure measures data prior to Q3 2022.
- ➔ If you use **a platform other than the AIM Data Center** to report and/or collect data on process and structure metrics, please report data as specified and communicated by your primary AIM contact.
 - ➔ If you are an **AIM state or jurisdiction** team and you are trying to upload structure measures data for **any reporting period** to the Data Center, please use the updated structure measures reporting format.
 - ✓ Using **updated file formatting templates**, you will report structure, process, and outcome measures data in one file.
 - ✓ Please code previously reported dates that structure measures were established as a 5 and structures not yet in place as a 1. More details on file formatting can be found in the **Transition Packet**.
- ➔ **If you are a facility team** and have any questions, please reach out to your primary AIM contact. If you need assistance, the AIM National Team can facilitate any connections to the primary AIM contact in your state.
- ➔ **If you are an AIM state or jurisdiction team** and have any questions, please reach out to the AIM Data Team at **aimdatasupport@acog.org**.

