ACP supports QPP measure 226: "Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco use: Screening & Cessation Intervention" because reduction of tobacco use slows the progression of respiratory disease and is a key element in the management of pulmonary disease; tobacco use is a modifiable risk factor and clinical evidence suggests that patient counseling and re-counseling by physicians increase attempts to quit; and the measure aligns with clinical recommendations of the ACP/ACCP/ATS/ERS* and the United States Preventive Services Task Force on tobacco use and offer cessation interventions.

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