

2026/27 Quality Improvement Plan "Improvement Targets and Initiatives"

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| Issue | Quality dimension | Measure/Indicator | Type | Unit / Population | Source / Period | Organization id | Current performance | Target | Target justification | Emergency Department return Visit Audits | Executive Compensation | Pay-for-Results Action Plan | External Collaborators | Planned improvement initiatives (Change Ideas) | Methods | Process measures | Target for process measure | Comments | |
| Access and Flow | Efficient | Number of new patients/clients/enrolments | Priority | Number / PC patients/clients | EMR/Chart Review / Most recent consecutive 12-month period | 91397* | 1432.8 | 1450.00 | Due to system limitations, please note that current performance is 14328 and target is 14500. This is a corporate target. | | | | | 1)The Family Health Team will increase the number of new patient enrolments by working with Health Care Connect and the K1N Neighbourhood Project, pending OH funding approval, to attach unattached patients within our local community. Through coordinated referrals and streamlined intake processes, we will prioritize enrolling eligible patients seeking primary care. This initiative aims to improve access to care while increasing overall patient attachment to the team. | The Family Health Team will collaborate with Health Care Connect and the K1N Neighbourhood Project to receive referrals of unattached local patients. Standardized intake and enrolment workflows will be used to support timely patient attachment, with administrative staff tracking referrals and completed enrolments to monitor progress. | Number of rostered patients | 14500 rostered patients | | |
| | Timely | Patient/client perception of timely access to care: percentage of patients/clients who report that the last time they were sick or had a health problem, they got an appointment on the date they wanted | Priority | % / PC organization population (surveyed sample) | In-house survey / Most recent consecutive 12-month period | 91397* | 72 | 85.00 | Benchmarking based on target set by the Alliance for Healthier Communities | | | | | 1)The Family Health Team will improve patients' perception of timely access to care by increasing communication and awareness of available after-hours clinics and services. Clear, consistent messaging about how and when to access after-hours care will be shared through multiple channels to support timely appointment access when patients are sick or have an urgent health concern. | The Family Health Team will add an after-hours information recording to clinic phone lines and maintain clinic display slides advertising after-hours clinics and services. These tools will provide consistent, accessible messaging to increase patient awareness and support timely access to care. | % of patients who report getting an appointment on the day they wanted | 85% of patients report getting an appointment on the day they wanted | | |
| Experience | Patient-centred | Discharge Experience - percentage of patients discharged to the community asked "Overall, how would you rate your discharge experience?" who responded Very Good (top box) on the Hospital 2 Home Patient Experience Program survey | Custom | % / Patients discharged to the community | In house data collection / 2026-2027 | 932* | 69 | 65.00 | Maintain current target | No | No | No | | 1)Develop a Clinical Manager rounding application to support discharge rounding | Quality, Patient Safety, and Risk Management team to develop a power application in collaboration with hospital programs to facilitate tracking of clinical leader rounding | Documentation of completed rounding by clinical leaders across inpatient programs aligned with the established timelines | 80% of patients will have been rounded on by clinical leaders within the established timelines | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2)Implement Clinical Leader rounding within 48 hours of planned discharge | Establish clinical leader discharge rounds | % of patients discharged to the community who had documented Clinical Manager rounding 48 hours before discharge | 80% of patients will have been rounded on by the Clinical Manager within established timelines | | |
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| | Family Experience - Would you recommend | Custom | % of top box positive responses "would definitely recommend" on the Palliative Care Family Experience Survey / Family | In house data collection / 2026-2027 | 932* | 90.5 | 89.60 | Maintain current target | No | No | No | | | 1)Develop process to support Clinical Leader rounding to take place 72 hours of admission | Roll out revised rounding process | % of patient/families rounded on by Clinical Manager within established timelines | 80% of patients/families will have been rounded on by the Clinical Manager within established timelines | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2)Continue reinforcing standardized bedside shift reporting across all inpatient programs | Conduct BSSR audits on a quarterly basis with 8-10 beds per inpatient unit | % of audited beds during day to evening shift change where core BSSR elements (inside patient room, HEAL) are observed during the audit | 80% of audited BSSR will meet the core elements | | |
| | LTCM & Transitional Care Patient Experience - percentage of top box positive responses to "If long stay care were needed for another family member or friend, would you recommend this facility?" | Custom | % / Long-Term Complex Medical and Transitional Care inpatients | In house data collection / 2026-2027 | 932* | 85.1 | 82.60 | Maintain current target | No | No | No | | | 1)Develop a process to support Clinical Leader admission rounding to take place within the first 5 days of admission | Roll out revised rounding process | % of patient/families rounded on by CM within established timelines | 80% of patients will have been rounded on by the Clinical Manager within established timelines | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2)Develop a process to support Clinical leader rounding during long stay admissions to take place monthly during the course of admission | Roll out revised rounding process | % of patient/families rounded on by Clinical Manager within established timelines | 80% of patients will have been rounded on by the Clinical Manager within established timelines | | |
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| | Patient Experience - Percentage of patients responding definitely (top box) to the question "Would you recommend this hospital?" | Custom | % / top box positive responses to the CPES-IC + Rehab module survey | In house data collection / 2026-2027 | 932* | CB | CB | With the transition to standardized email survey methodology, a new target will be set based on 6 quarters of email survey data | No | No | No | | | | 1)Clinical leader rounding to take place within 5 days of admission | Roll out revised rounding process | % of patient/families rounded on by Clinical Manager within established timelines | 80% of patients will have been rounded on by the Clinical leader within established timelines | |
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| 3)Continue to hardwire focused rounding | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Develop an updated focused rounding audit process in Q1 | The top 5 units with falls will have quarterly focused rounding audits completed | 80% of audit elements will be met | | |
| 4)Care boards as a tool for communication | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Continue training and education on use of care boards in hospital programs | Quarterly care board audits | 80% is the target for the process measure | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5)Reinforce use of AIDET as a patient care communication tool | Continue to provide AIDET education during orientation as well as ongoing unit huddle reviews of the principles | % of top box responses to "did nurses/MDs/therapists explain things in a way you could understand" in survey | > 65% top box responses | | | |

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| | | Percentage of residents who responded positively to: "The care and support I get help me live my life the way I want." | Custom | % / LTC home residents | In house data, interRAI survey / 2026-2027 | 51651* | 80.88 | 75.00 | Increasing target to 75% from previous year target of 70%. | | | | | | 1)Enhance the care conference process by strengthening resident participation and improving interdisciplinary coordination. | 1.1) Review current practices around resident involvement in care conferences and develop new guidelines. 1.2) Enhance interdisciplinary communication by using a standardized online invitation. 1.3) Review care conference documentation practices and update the UDA tool in PCC. | 1.1) Enhanced resident-centred guidelines will be embedded into the invitation workflow. 1.2) Percentage of care conferences scheduled using the standardized online invitation workflow. 1.3) Enhanced care conference guidelines including use of updated UDA in practice. | 1.1) By December 2026, the enhanced resident attendance process will be implemented. 1.2) By September 2026, the standardized online invitation process will be in practice. 1.3) By March 2027, the revised guidelines and UDA will be followed and used. | |
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| | | Percentage of residents who responded positively to: "The care and support I get help me live my life the way I want." | Custom | % / LTC home residents | In house data, interRAI survey / 2026-2027 | 53536* | 56.25 | 65.00 | Target adjusted to continue aiming for improvement | | | | | | 1)Enhance the care conference process by strengthening resident participation and improving interdisciplinary coordination. | 1.1) Review current practices around resident involvement in care conferences and develop new guidelines. 1.2) Enhance interdisciplinary communication by using a standardized online invitation. 1.3) Review care conference documentation practices and update the UDA tool in PCC. | 1.1) Enhanced resident-centred guidelines will be embedded into the invitation workflow. 1.2) Percentage of care conferences scheduled using the standardized online invitation workflow. 1.3) Enhanced care conference guidelines including use of updated UDA in practice. | 1.1) By December 2026, the enhanced resident attendance process will be implemented. 1.2) By September 2026, the standardized online invitation process will be in practice. 1.3) By March 2027, the revised guidelines and UDA will be followed and used. | |
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| Safety | Safe | AI Scribe: Percentage of clinicians in the primary care practice utilizing this provincial digital solution | Optional | % / Staff | Local data collection / Most recent information available | 91397* | 0 | 100.00 | 100% set as intention to have all primary care providers use digital solution | | | | | | 1)Pending hospital approval following independent third-party PIA per Bill 194 legislation, an AI scribe solution will be trialed with all physicians and nurse practitioners. | Subject to hospital approval following independent third-party PIA per Bill 194 legislation, the Family Health Team will pilot an AI scribe solution with all physicians/Nurse Practitioners. Training and implementation support will be provided, and physician and NP participation will be monitored to assess utilization. | % of providers who have access to an AI solution in clinic | 100% of providers have access to an AI solution in clinic | |
| | | eReferral: Percentage of clinicians within the primary care practice utilizing this provincial digital solution | Optional | % / Staff | Local data collection / Most recent information available | 91397* | 0 | 100.00 | 100% set as intention to have all primary care providers use digital solution | | | | | | 1)Implement and expand clinician utilization of the provincial eReferral system. A small pilot group of clinicians will trial the solution, with referral clerks integrated into workflows to support consistent use. | The Family Health Team will implement a phased rollout of the provincial eReferral system, beginning with a pilot group of clinicians. Referral clerks will be integrated into clinical workflows to support consistent use, and feedback from the pilot will be collected to inform expansion to the full primary care team. | % of providers using e-referral in their practice | 100% of providers using e-referral in their practice | |
| | | Number of faxes sent per 1,000 rostered patients | Priority | Number of faxes / PC patients/clients | Other / Most recent quarter of data available (consecutive 3-month period) | 91397* | 849 | 764.00 | Aiming for a 10% improvement | | | | | | 1)Efforts will continue from the previous year, with an expanded focus on identifying and mapping available digital alternatives. Adoption and consistent use of existing technologies (including Ocean, eForms, and eReferral) will be reinforced to further replace fax-based workflows. | 1) Expand pilot for use of E-forms 2) Expand pilot for #providers using eReferrals 3) Use of secure platform (SYNC) for chart transfers rather than faxing | 1) % of providers using e-forms 2) % of providers using eReferrals 3) % of chart transfers sent by secure platform (SYNC) vs sent by fax | 1) 50% 2) 85% 3) 95% | |
| | | Online Appointment Booking: Percentage of clinicians within the primary care practice utilizing this provincial digital solution | Optional | % / Staff | Local data collection / Most recent information available | 91397* | 0 | 80.00 | Setting 80% target for phase one of implementation | | | | | | 1)A clinic-wide implementation of online appointment booking will be undertaken, starting with resident schedules and ideally expanding to providers, allied health, etc. Emphasis on prioritizing online booking with residents given we are a teaching clinic. | The Family Health Team will implement online appointment booking in a phased, clinic-wide approach, beginning with resident schedules and expanding to physicians, nurse practitioners, and allied health providers. Scheduling templates and workflows will be adjusted as needed, and clinician participation will be monitored to track utilization. | % of providers and residents utilizing online appointment booking | 100% of providers and residents will use online appointment booking | |
| | | Percentage of LTC residents without psychosis who were given antipsychotic medication in the 7 days preceding their resident assessment | Optional | % / LTC home residents | CIHI CCRS / July 1 to September 30, 2025 (Q2), as target quarter of rolling 4-quarter average | 51651* | 19.61 | 18.00 | Following Canada's Drug Agency guidelines while ensuring feasibility through fluctuations seen | | | | | | 1)Strengthen interdisciplinary capacity to reduce inappropriate antipsychotic use by prioritizing education for all interdisciplinary team members. | 1) Implement a comprehensive education initiative for all interdisciplinary team members focused on person-centred alternatives to antipsychotic use. | 1) Percentage of interdisciplinary staff who complete education on "non pharmaceutical" interventions to decrease responsive behaviour. | 1) By March 2027, at least 75% of interdisciplinary team members will complete enhanced education "non pharmaceutical" and/or antipsychotic-reduction best practices. | |
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| Percentage of LTC residents without psychosis who were given antipsychotic medication in the 7 days preceding their resident assessment | Optional | % / LTC home residents | CIHI CCRS / July 1 to September 30, 2025 (Q2), as target quarter of rolling 4-quarter average | 53536* | 26.23 | 23.00 | Following Canada's Drug Agency guidelines while ensuring feasibility through fluctuations seen | | | | | | | 1)Strengthen interdisciplinary capacity to reduce inappropriate antipsychotic use by prioritizing education for all interdisciplinary team members. | 1) Implement a comprehensive education initiative for all interdisciplinary team members focused on person-centred alternatives to antipsychotic use. | 1) Percentage of interdisciplinary staff who complete education on "non pharmaceutical" interventions to decrease responsive behaviour. | 1) By March 2027, at least 75% of interdisciplinary team members will complete enhanced education "non pharmaceutical" and/or antipsychotic-reduction best practices. |
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| Falls per 1000 resident days | Custom | Rate per 1,000 / LTC home residents | In house data collection / 2026-2027 | 51651* | 7.89 | 7.20 | Aim to return falls to similar level as previous year | | | | | | | 1)Enhance and post a visual fall-trends dashboard to track key information such as fall rates by home area and time of day (e.g. per shift). | 1) Adapt the current "monthly fall target" posters to include additional reported information and engage staff to interact with the boards. | 1) Number of enhanced visual fall dashboards posted within the first half of each month. | 1) By September 2026, all home areas will have a posted, updated monthly fall-trends dashboard. |
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| Falls per 1000 resident days | Custom | Rate per 1,000 / LTC home residents | In house data collection / 2026-2027 | 53536* | 9.23 | 6.30 | Aim to return falls to similar level as previous year | | | | | | | 1)Enhance and post a visual fall-trends dashboard to track key information such as fall rates by home area and time of day (e.g. per shift). | 1) Adapt the current "monthly fall target" posters to include additional reported information and engage staff to interact with the boards. | 1) Number of enhanced visual fall dashboards posted within the first half of each month. | 1) By September 2026, all home areas will have a posted, updated monthly fall-trends dashboard. |
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| Falls with injury | Custom | Rate per 1,000 / All inpatients | In house data collection / 2026-2027 | 932* | 1.6 | 1.60 | Aim to stabilize fall with injury rate | No | No | No | | | | 1)Develop and roll out a comprehensive fall audit and feedback process | 1) Develop an updated focused rounding audit process in Q1 2) QPR & NPP to develop an environmental audit process to support fall prevention best practices | 1) The top 5 units with falls will have quarterly focused rounding audits completed 2) Percent of units where the following fall prevention practices are appropriate: flag outside patient room, sign above bed, environmental elements (bed at lowest position with brakes on, mobility, assistive devices, telephone and call bell in reach, proper footwear and clear paths/spills) | 1) 80% of audit elements will be met 2) Environmental audits will achieve 80% compliance with the audit elements |
| Percentage of residents who developed a stage 2 to 4 pressure ulcer or had a pressure ulcer that worsened to a stage 2, 3 or 4 since their previous resident assessment | Custom | % / LTC home residents | PCC Performance Insights / 2025-2026 | 51651* | 1.16 | 3.00 | Reducing target to 3.0% from previous year target of 3.6% | | | | | | | 1)Enhance wound cleansing practices by conducting a comprehensive review of current wound-cleansing practices and products. | 1.1) An interdisciplinary team will review current wound-cleansing practices against evidence-based best practices and compare with those of other long-term care homes. 1.2) Education will be delivered to PSWs and nursing staff. | 1.1) Enhanced wound cleansing guidelines in practice. 1.2) Percentage of staff who complete the updated wound-care and wound-cleansing education sessions. | 1.1) By December 2026, develop and implement the enhanced wound cleansing guidelines. 1.2) By March 2027, have 90% of PSWs and nursing staff trained on the new practices. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2)Enhance the accuracy and consistency of wound-related documentation by reviewing the skin and wound assessment tool and providing education to staff. | 2) Conduct a comprehensive review of the current skin and wound assessment tool and in-services with staff led jointly by the SWAN and ADOC. | 2) Enhanced skin and wound assessment tool or its use to ensure its alignment with best-practice guidelines and improve clarity, usability, and completeness. | 2) By December 2026, review completed and in-services provided for the skin and wound assessment tool. |
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| Percentage of residents who developed a stage 2 to 4 pressure ulcer or had a pressure ulcer that worsened to a stage 2, 3 or 4 since their previous resident assessment | Custom | % / LTC home residents | PCC Performance Insights / 2025-2026 | 53536* | 3.08 | 2.40 | Maintaining same target as previous year | | | | | | | 1)Offer internal Nurse specializing in Wound, Ostomy and Continence (NSOWC) services. | 1) Register and support an internal registered nurse to the NSWOC program. | 1) Registered nursing staff successfully completing the specialized training. | 1) By March 2027, NSWOC specialized services being offered in the home. |
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| | | Pressure Injuries - the percent of long stay patients who develop or have Stage 2 or greater PI that worsens during their admission to LTCM (2N, 4N & 5N), Transitional Care (4S, 2BD, 5OES). | Custom | % / Long-Term Complex Medical and Transitional Care inpatients | RAI-MDS / 2026-2027 | 932* | 5.73 | 6.60 | Maintain current target | No | No | No | | 1)All LTCM and transitional units will use appropriate linen layers | NPP education and audits on a quarterly basis | % of patients with appropriate linen layers | 80% of eligible patients will have appropriate linen layers | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2)Continue roll out of the Pique pad removal process across all LTCM and Transitional units. | Unit based roll out of Pique removal process | % of LTCM and Transitional units where Pique pads have been removed from clinical use | 100% of units will have Pique pads removed from clinical use | |