

# Ontario Primary Care Performance Measurement Initiative Information Sheet

## The Goal:

Health Quality Ontario (HQO) is collaborating with others through the Ontario Primary Care Performance Measurement Steering Committee to provide leadership on a coordinated and sustainable approach to measure and report on primary care performance.

Our objective is to determine what aspects of primary care performance are most valuable to measure on a regular basis and the data sources and infrastructure required. Agreement on these measures and support for their collection, analysis and reporting will drive system improvements, track the impact of policy changes and investments, and inform service planning, performance monitoring and quality improvement at the practice level.

## Steering Committee:

The following organizations are represented on the Steering Committee for this initiative: Association of Family Health Teams, Association of Ontario Health Centres, Bruyère Research Institute, Canadian Institute for Health Information, Cancer Care Ontario, Cancer Quality Council of Ontario, C-CHANGE Initiative, eHealth Ontario, Health Quality Ontario, Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences, Local Health Integration Networks, Ontario College of Family Physicians, Ontario Medical Association, Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Ontario Patient Relations Association, Patients Canada, Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario.

## Approach:

In 2012, HQO and the Canadian Institute for Health Information, in collaboration with their partners, held an invitational meeting of senior leaders from key primary care data partners and information users in Ontario. This meeting, the Ontario Primary Care Performance Measurement Summit, resulted in the preliminary identification of primary care performance measurement priorities in Ontario and commitment from participating organizations to engage in ongoing collaborative work on primary care performance measurement. To inform performance measurement efforts in Ontario, the meeting proceedings were widely circulated.

In addition, the 15 organizations represented on the Steering Committee circulated the primary care performance measurement stakeholder survey in spring 2013 to engage their members and solicit their views on the aspects of primary care performance that would be most valuable to measure. Informed by the Summit results and over 850 responses received from the stakeholder survey, the Steering Committee identified a set of measurement priorities for the Primary Care Performance Measurement Framework.

## Next Steps:

Working groups will select specific performance measures corresponding to the measurement priorities and will recommend methodology and infrastructure for data collection, analysis and reporting. Over time, the framework will be revised in response to changing performance measurement priorities and enhanced data collection capacity.



For more information about the Ontario Primary Care Performance Measurement Initiative, please visit <http://www.hqontario.ca/public-reporting/primary-care> or contact us at [PCPMSummit@hqontario.ca](mailto:PCPMSummit@hqontario.ca).

