# Safety in Long-Term Care: Analysis of the 2025/26 QIP Submissions



Findings from the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) Progress Report, Narrative, and Workplan

# **Progress Report**



422 homes reported on the Antipsychotics indicator. 90% of planned change ideas (809/901) were implemented.

> Percentage of homes that improved, maintained, or worsened performance between 2024/25 and 2025/26

> > **Key challenges:**

admission

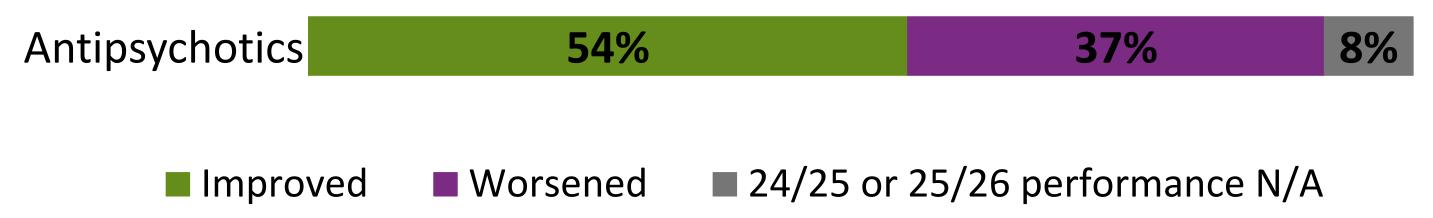
Use of antipsychotics before

Family and resident concerns

about medication changes

monitoring and follow-up

Documentation gaps limiting



### **Key success factors:**

- Regular medication reviews with clinicians and pharmacists
- Targeted staff training on antipsychotic use and alternatives
- BSO leads guiding care planning

# **Priorities:**

- Treat safety as a strategic priority Focus on prevention and risk management
- Encourage staff and residents to voice their concerns
- Track incidents and share learnings

### Most common safety themes

Narrative



Safety culture: Open reporting, staff/resident/family engagement, standardized tools, home training and education



Use of safety data: Track and analyze data; use data to inform decisions; share learnings



Improvement projects: Clinical initiatives, technology upgrades, optimize resources, implement best practice guidelines



Collaboration: Accreditation Canada, BSO, CIHI, HEC, ISMP Canada,

## 411 homes reported progress on the Falls matrix indicator. 88% of planned change ideas (822/935) were implemented.

Percentage of homes that improved, maintained, or worsened performance between 2024/25 and 2025/26

**Key challenges:** 

prevention program continuity

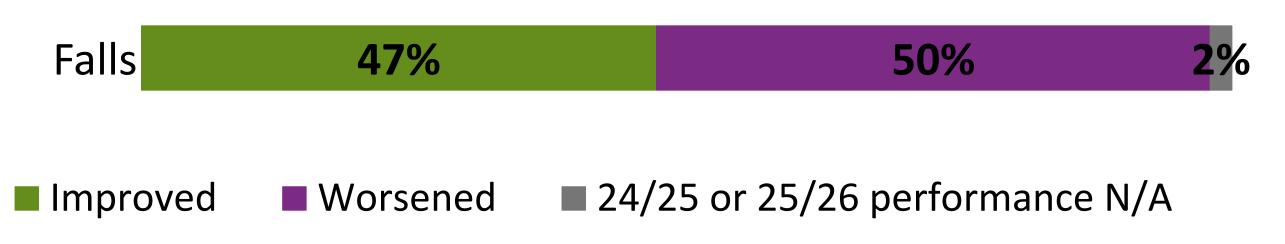
Inconsistent documentation and

Implementing complex resident-

communication of falls and

follow-up actions

specific interventions



### **Key success factors:**

- Engaged staff in fall rounds and
  Staff turnover impacting post-fall huddles
- Enhanced restorative and mobility programs
- Regular environmental and equipment safety checks

"Implemented clinical pathways through PointClickCare and RNAO, using NQuIRE data to improve resident assessments and care planning in delirium, pain, falls, and palliative care"

**Examples of resident safety initiatives** 

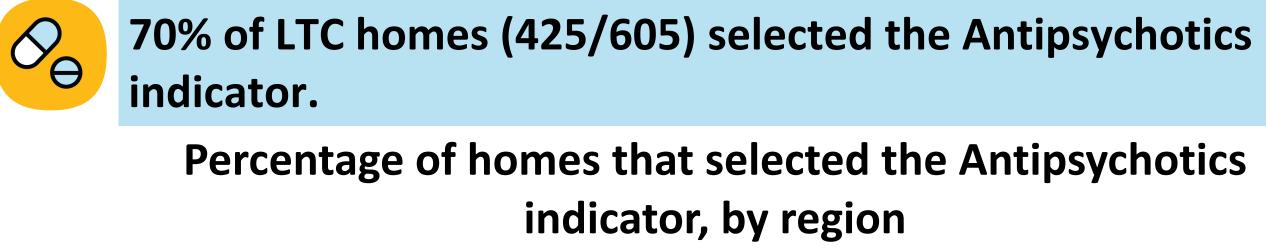


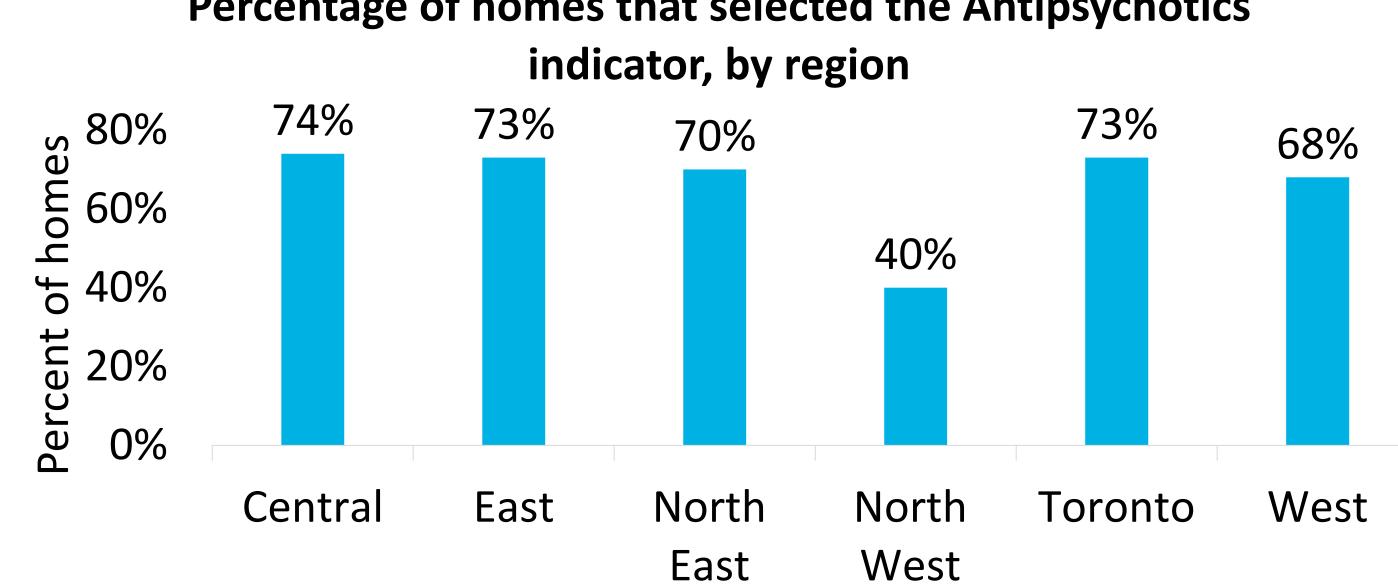
"Leveraging technology and peer champions through RNAO's Best Practice Clinical Assessment Tools to strengthen clinical decision-making and sustain QI gains"



"Partnering with CareRx on the BOOMR project to enhance medication safety during transitions in care, reducing follow-ups, saving nursing time, and improving resident outcomes"

# Workplan



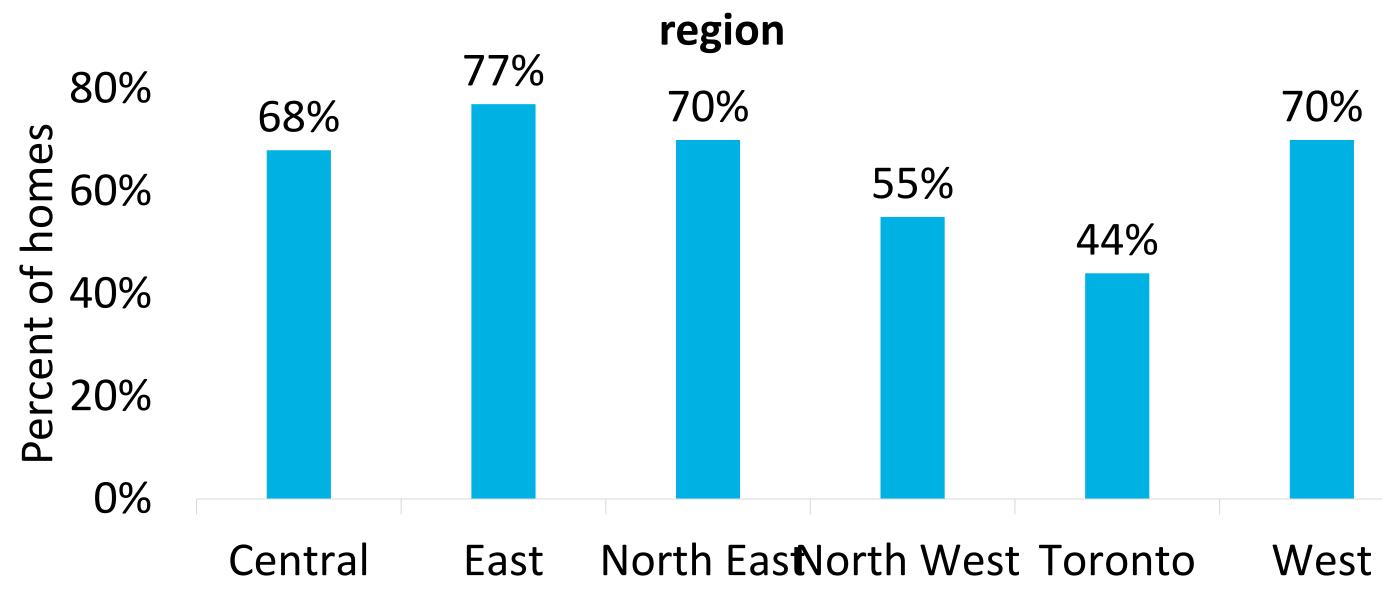


### Most common change idea themes

- Schedule regular medication reviews with clinicians and pharmacists
- Implement antipsychotic reduction initiatives led by BSO lead
- Educate staff on antipsychotic use and managing resident behaviours

## 68% of LTC homes (409/605) selected the Falls indicator.

# Percentage of homes that selected the Falls indicator, by region



# Most common change idea themes

- Increase staff awareness and communication of fall risks
- Conduct post-fall and near-miss huddles

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Use risk assessments and fall rounds to address contributing factors

