

# Looking Back and Looking Forward

A Sneak Peek for the 2018/19 Home Care quality improvement plans (QIPs)

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# Learning Objectives

- Share learnings from the 2017/18 QIPs
- Prepare organizations for 2018/19 QIP submission by offering advance notice of changes
- Provide an overview of Health Quality Ontario's resources to support organizations in meeting their goals and supporting change across the system

# Quality Matters

## Embrace Health Quality

● A health system with a culture of quality is . . .

Safe

Effective

Patient-centred

Efficient

Timely

Equitable

● ...stays true to these principles

Commits to ongoing quality improvement

Achieves healthy populations

Ensures accessibility for all

Partners with patients

Balances priorities

Uses resources wisely

● . . . and can only happen when we

Engage patients and the public

Redesign the system to support quality care

Help professionals and caregivers thrive

Ensure technology works for all

Support innovation and spread knowledge

Monitor performance with quality in mind

Build a quality-driven culture

**A just, patient-centred health system committed to relentless improvement. Let's make it happen.**

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*Quality Matters: Realizing Excellent Care For All*

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## Quality Matters: Realizing Excellent Care for All

A Report by Health Quality Ontario's System  
Quality Advisory Committee

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**Provincial Results**

# Provincial Observations: Looking Back

Home care



Progress in five-day wait time: personal support for complex patients (79%)  
Worsening in hospital readmissions (77%)

Hospital



Progress in medication reconciliation on admission (60%)  
Worsening in alternate level of care rate (54%)

Long-term care



Progress in appropriate prescribing of antipsychotics (76%)  
Worsening in falls (54%)

Primary care



Progress in glycated hemoglobin (HbA1C) testing (71%)  
Worsening patient experience: 'enough time' (41%)

# Provincial Observations: Looking Forward

94%

of organizations selected at least one priority indicator

84%

of organizations are working on at least one of the effective transition indicators

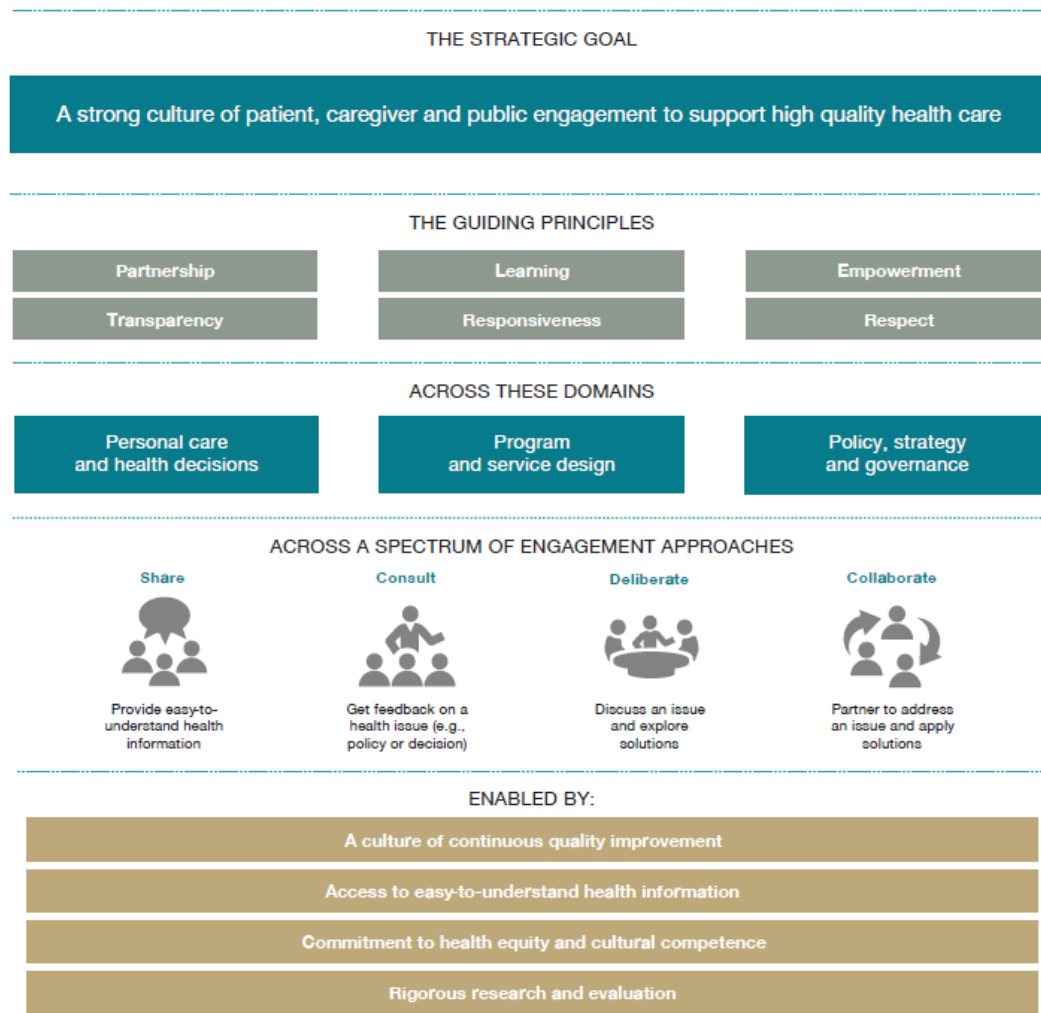
78%

of organizations are working on at least one patient experience indicator

1-5%

is the most common target range set for improvement

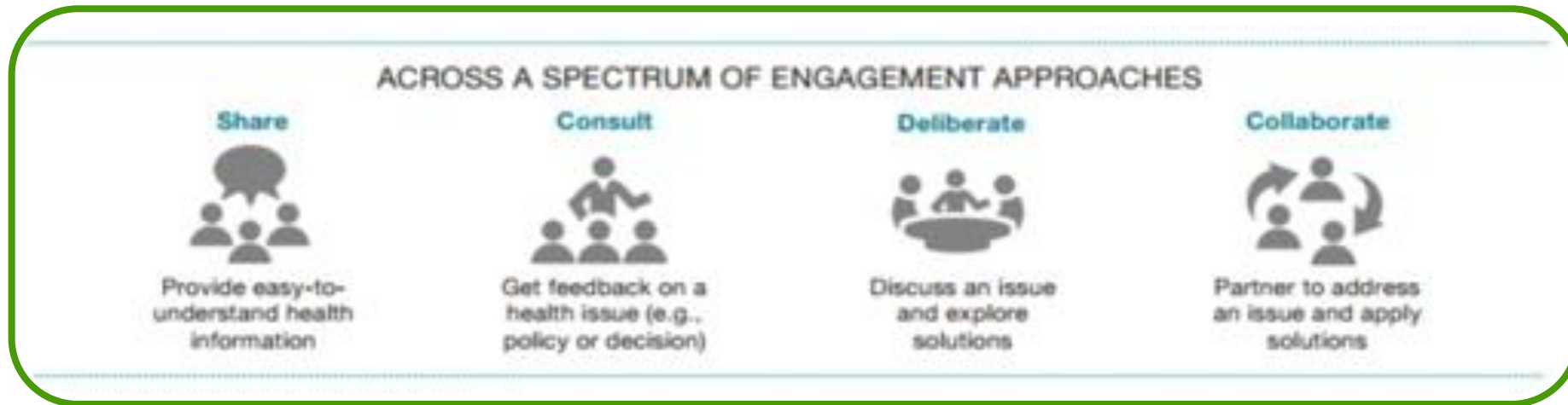
# Patient Engagement: Spectrum of Approaches



The analysis of patient engagement approaches is structured by Health Quality Ontario's [Patient Engagement Framework](#), which recommends that organizations use a spectrum of engagement approaches.

For brevity, the next few slides use the word "patient"; this includes patients, residents, clients, caregivers and family

# Patient Engagement: Spectrum of Approaches



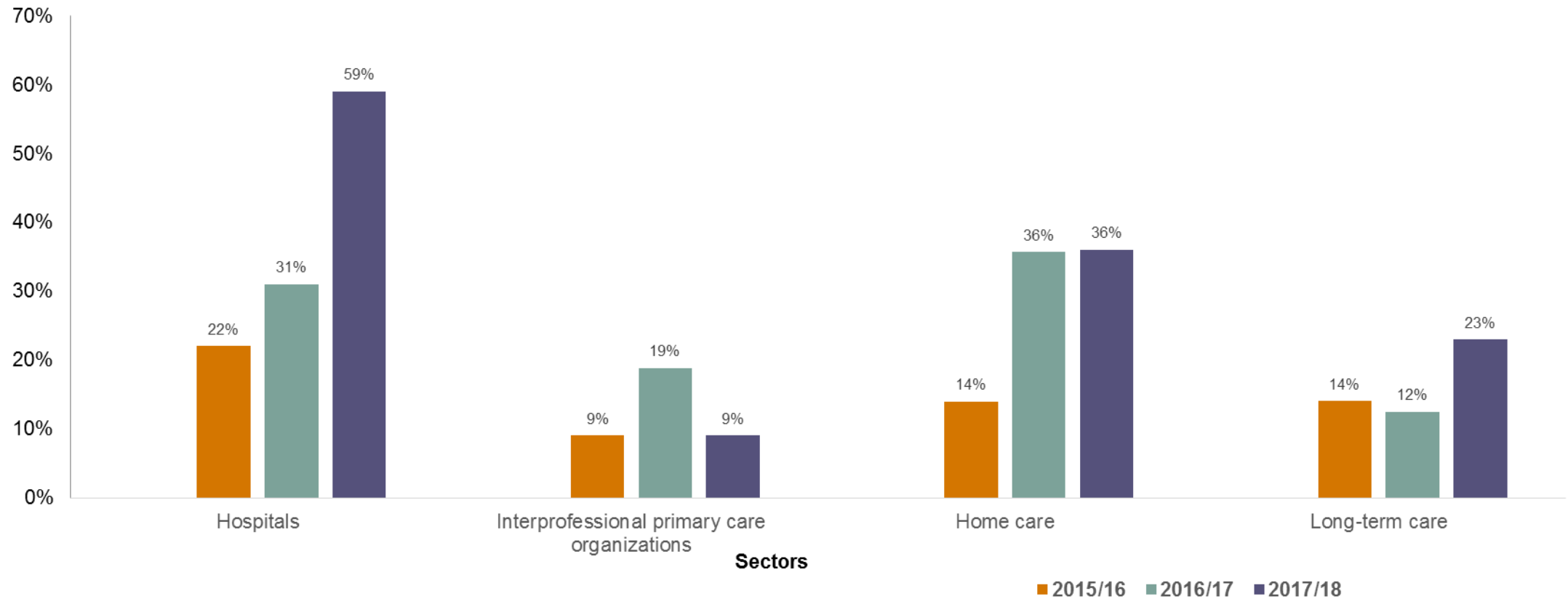
Engagement is a continuum and organizations are encouraged to use a variety of methods to engage patients and their families. The approaches described to the right are more participatory. There will be overlap (e.g., councils may be deliberating or consulting).



# Focus on QIP Development

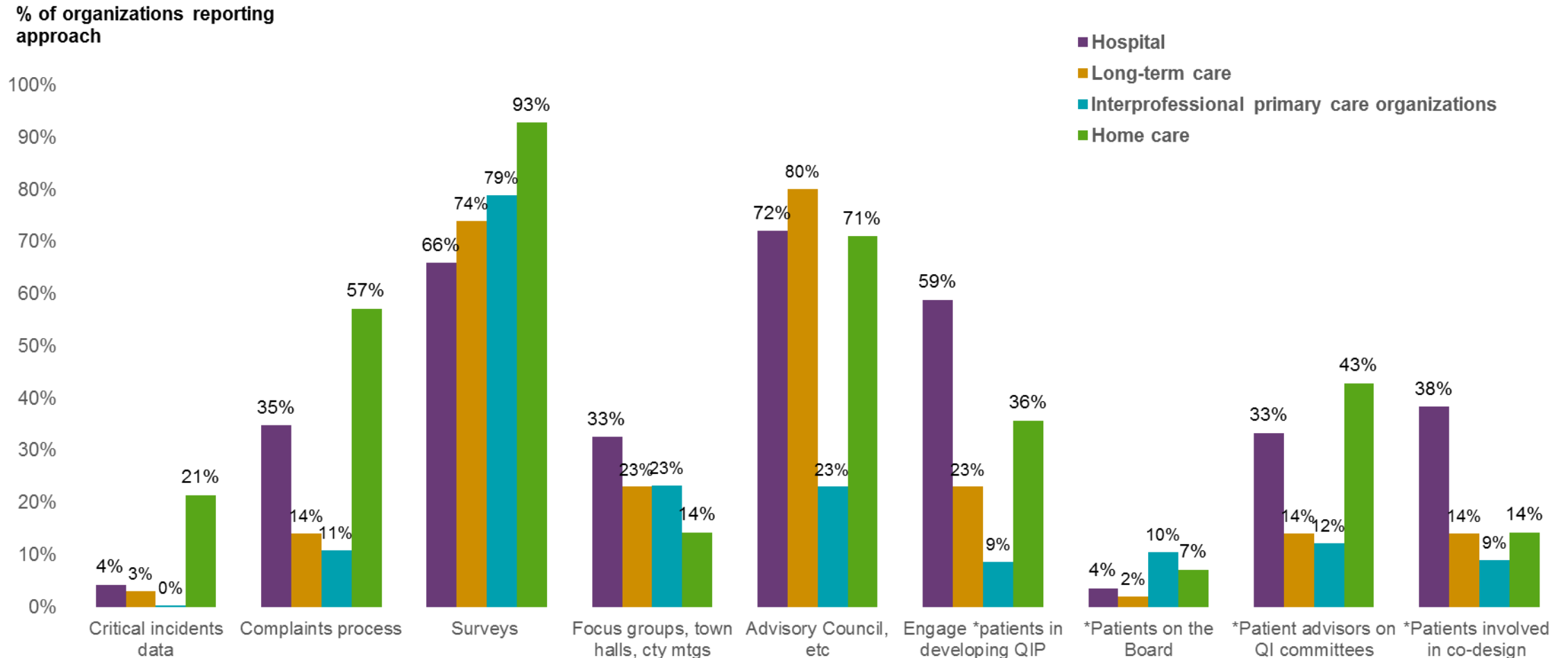
Comparing percentage of organizations reporting engaging patients and families in development of QIPs or quality initiatives over time

Percentage of total organizations

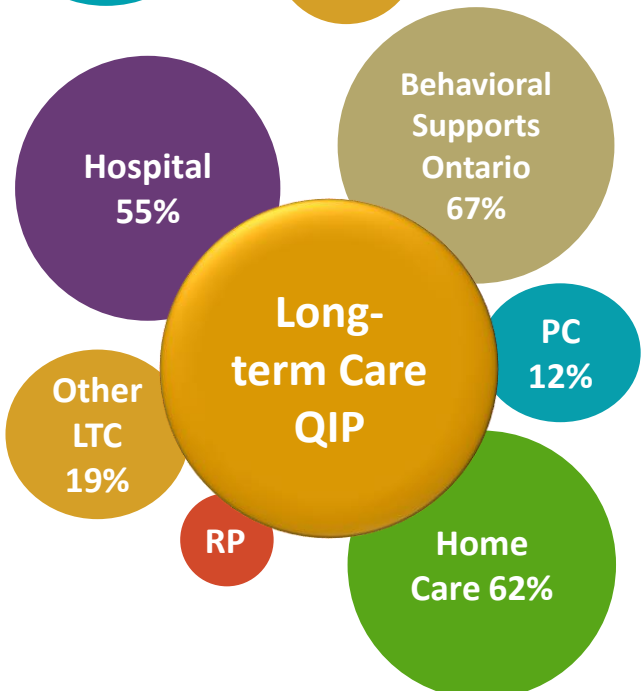
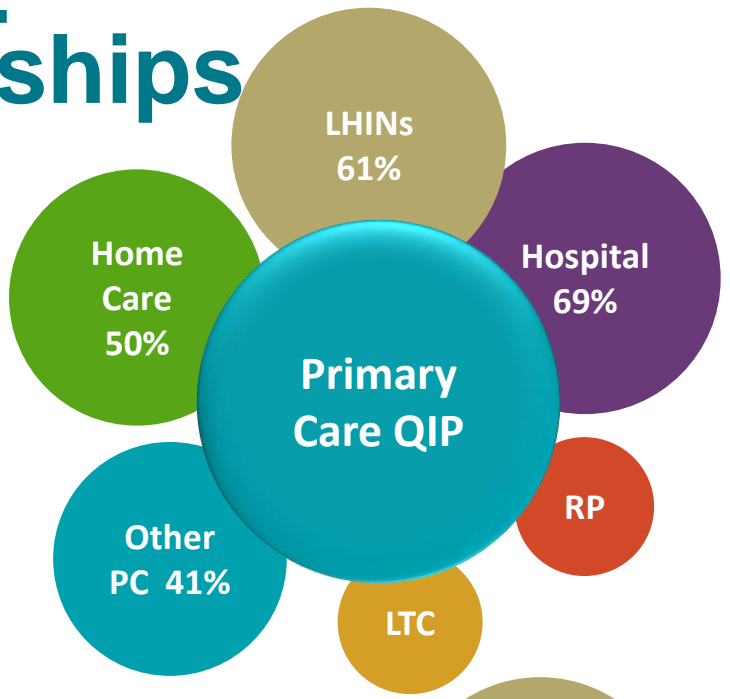
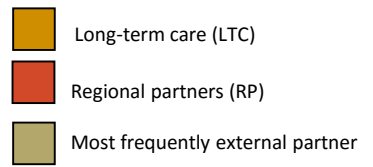
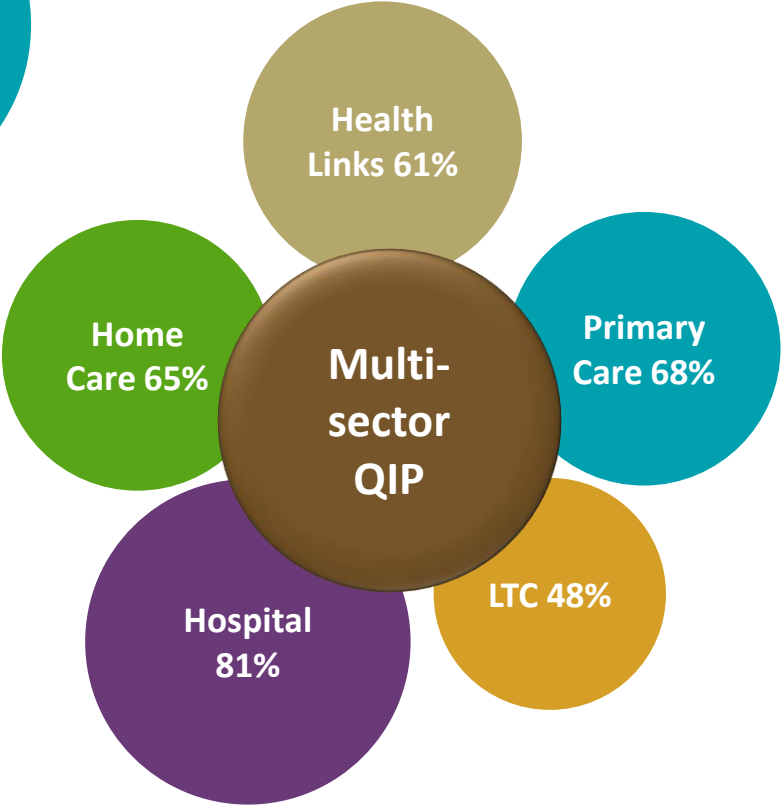
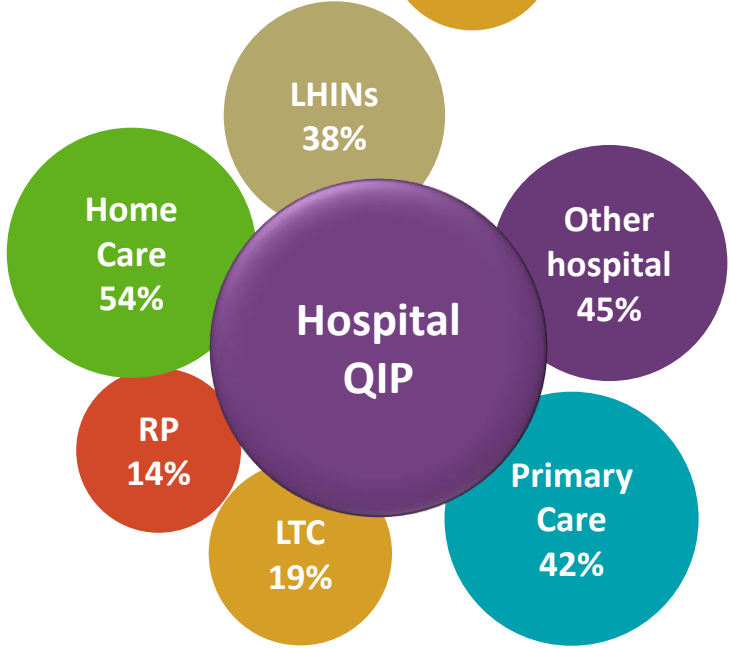
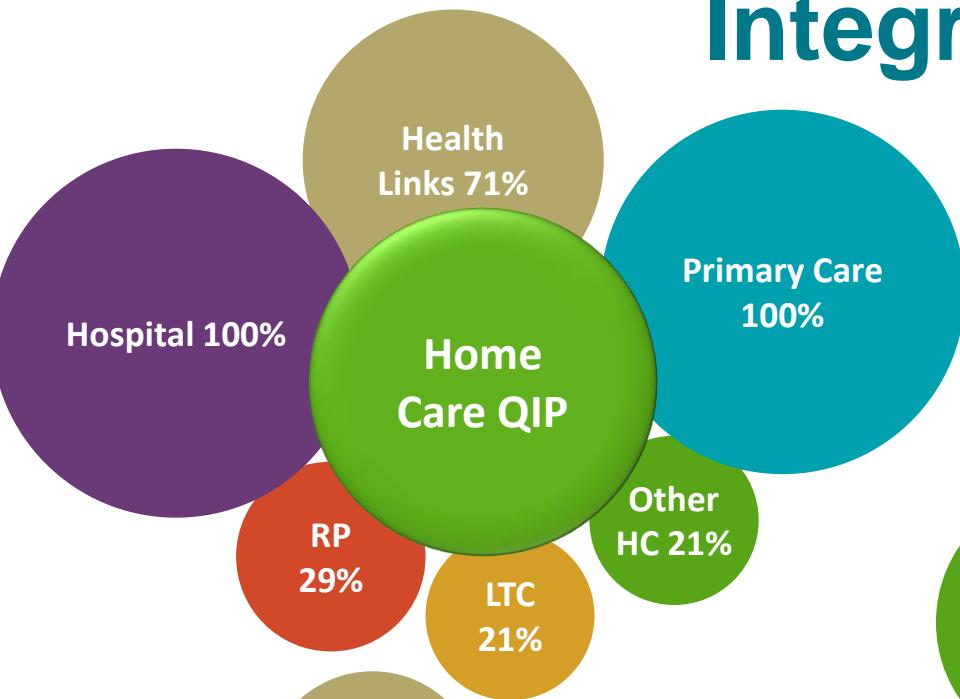


# Key Observations: Patient Engagement

## Overall view of spectrum of patient engagement approach in the 2017/18 QIP Narratives

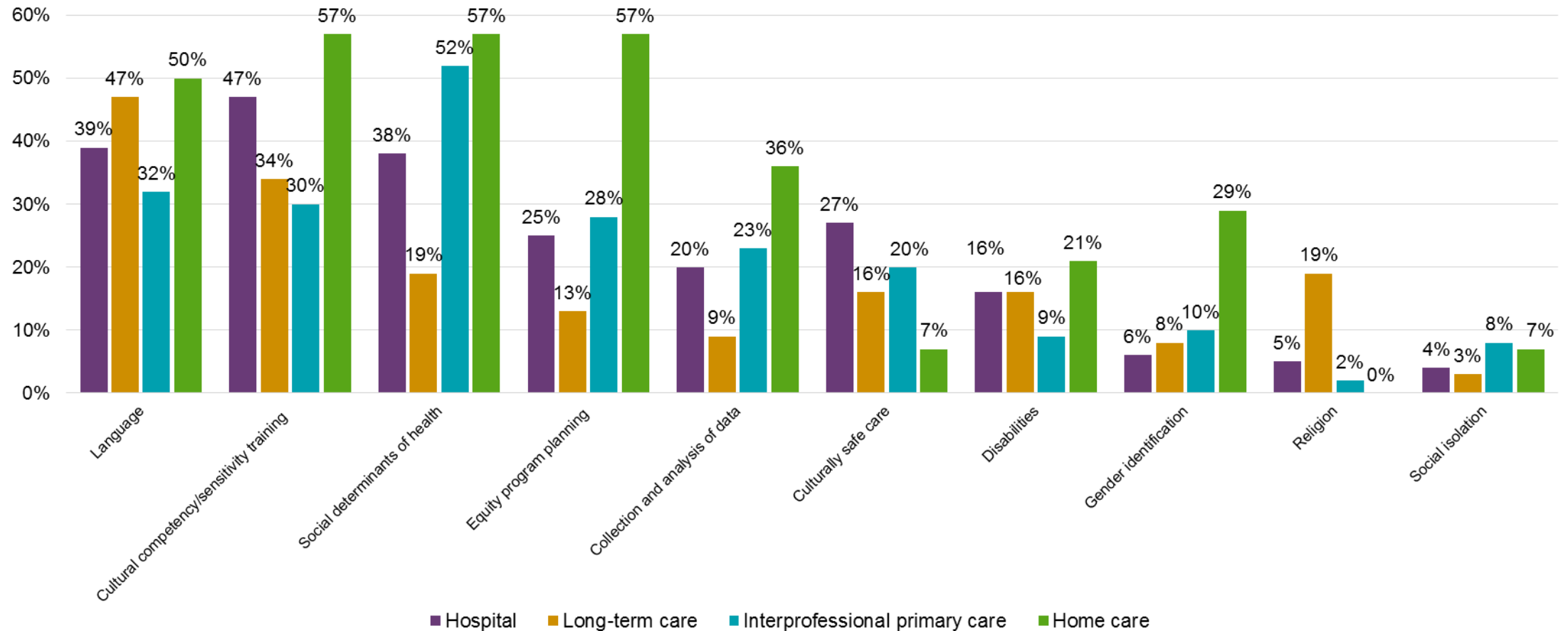


# Key Observations: Integration and Partnerships



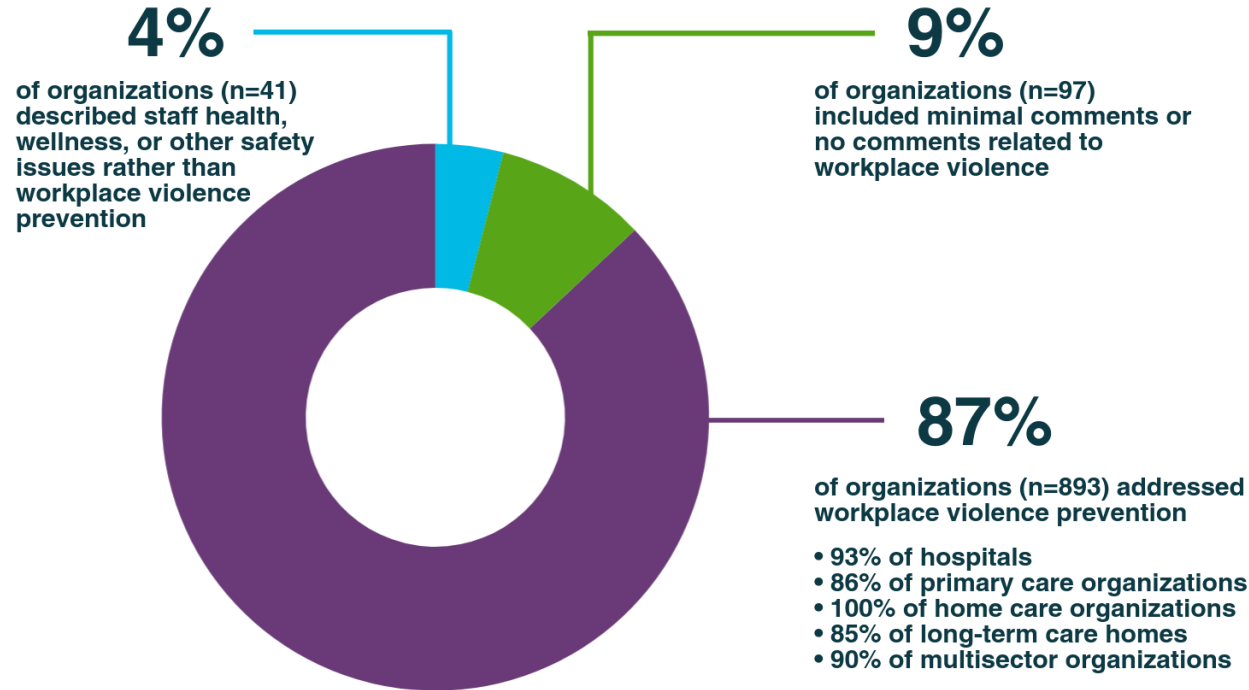
# Key Observations: Equity Strategies

Percentage of organizations citing various equity strategies in their 2017/18 QIP Narratives



# Of the 1031 QIPs submitted, how many addressed workplace violence prevention?

In the Staff Safety & Workplace Violence Prevention section of the QIP Narrative...



In the Workplan section of the QIP...

A total of **15** organizations submitted **17** indicators related to workplace violence

- 13 hospitals included a total of 15 indicators
- 2 long-term care homes included a total of two indicators

# Exceptional achievement story

## SW LHIN Home and Community Care: ED Visits and Readmissions

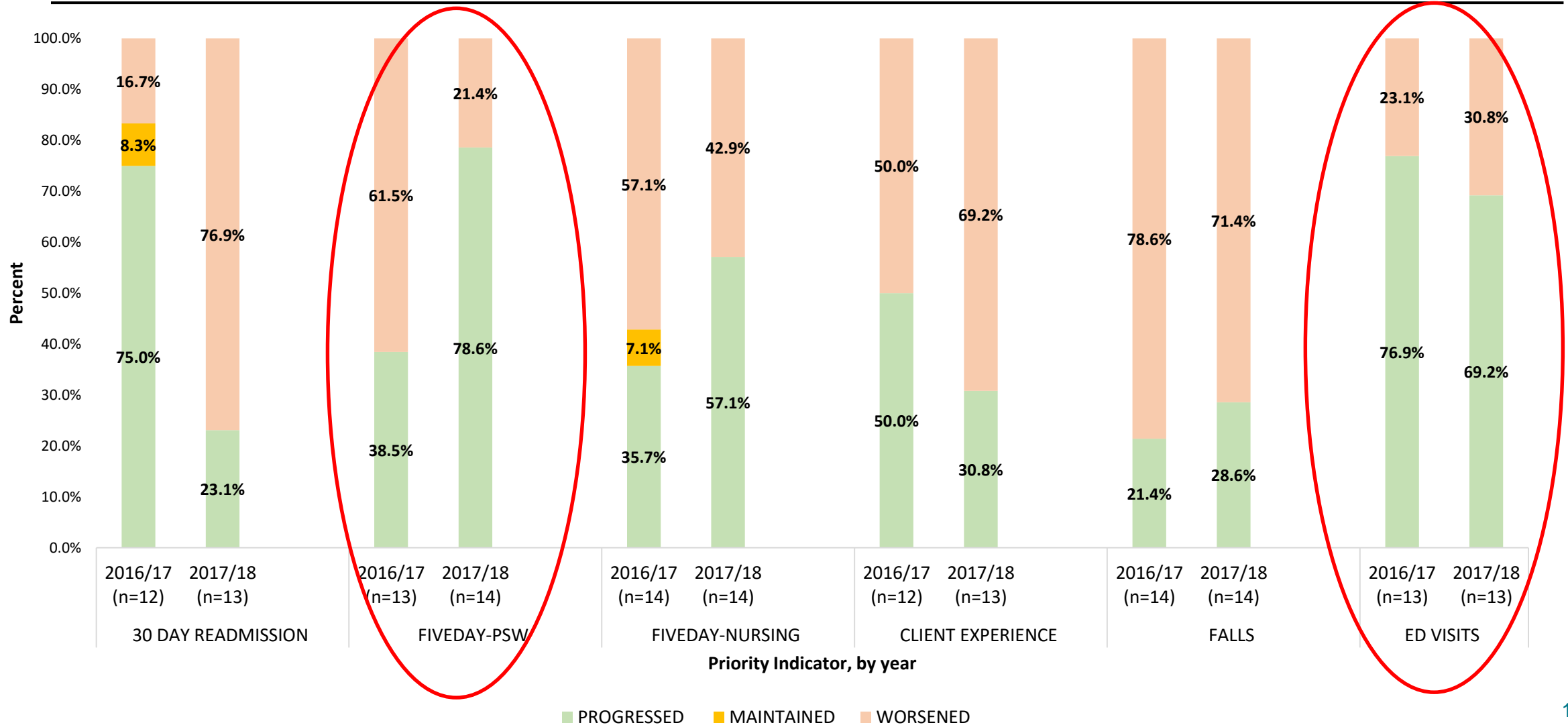
- **Who was the subpopulation?** The SW LHIN Home and Community care services focused on patients in their intensive Hospital to Home program who were experiencing readmissions
- **What did the SW LHIN do?** The LHIN used an outside of the walls approach; working with the CCAC, hospital and the service providers involved, and doing a debrief and a drill down of the episode, when a patient was readmitted.
- **How did the process change to support this work?** As well as the debriefs, if patients presented in the ED, post ED phone calls were done to troubleshoot issues with the patient to avoid future episodes if possible.
- **What was the outcome?** SW LHIN reported they have seen a large reduction in the number of ED visits and readmissions for this subpopulation.

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# Home and Community Care Results

# Progress on Priority Indicators

Percentage of home care organizations who progressed, maintained or worsened performance on priority indicators, compared over two years of reporting.

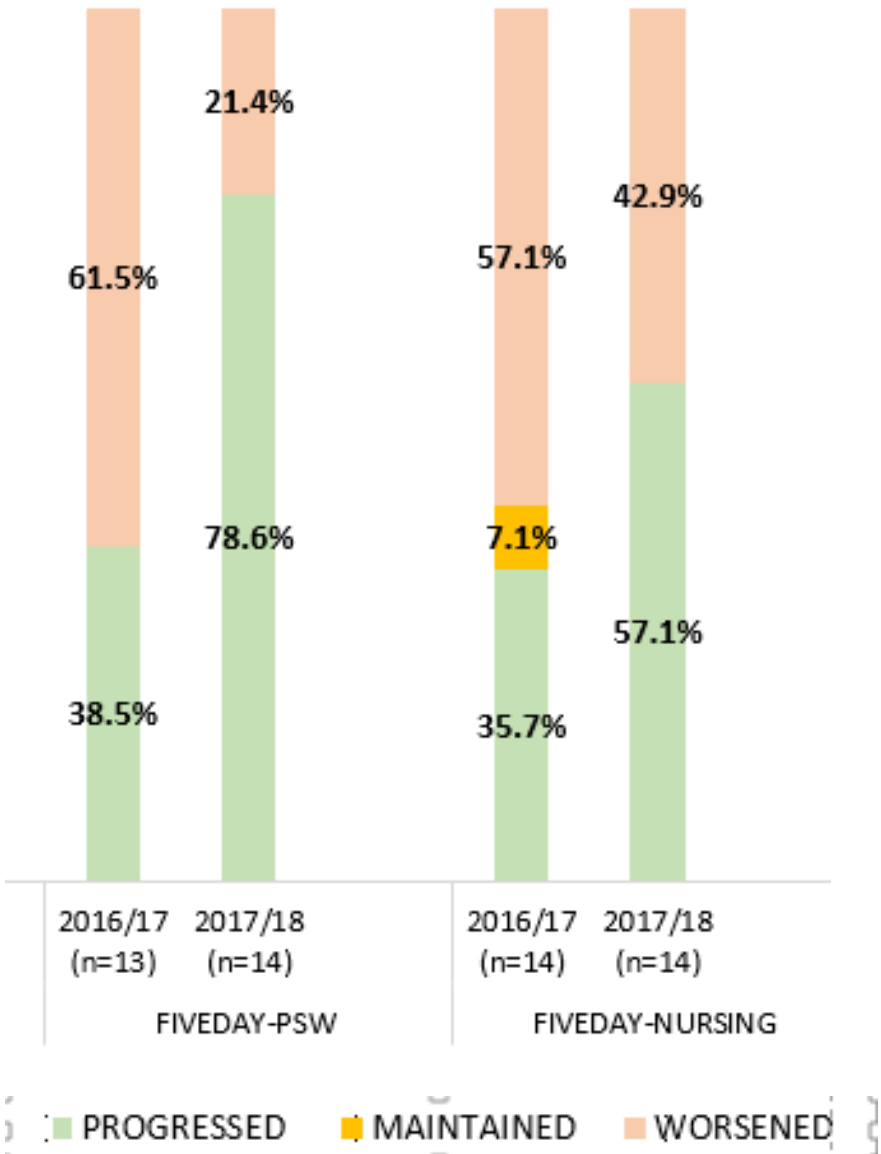




# Key Home Care findings

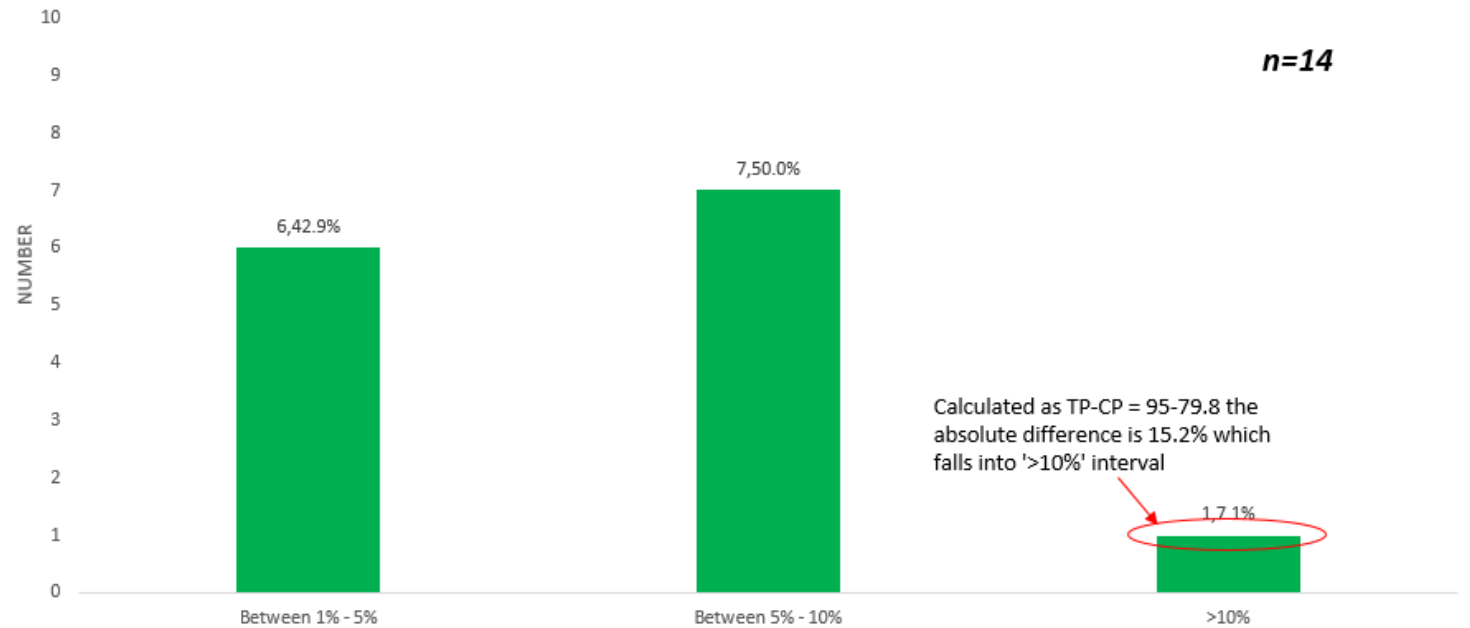
- Noting that they were in a **transition**, some home care organizations mentioned focusing on ensuring safety during the transition and sustaining performance.
- Use of **patient experience navigators** as one means to improve patient experience
- Use of **linkages and partnerships with public health** to introduce preventative wellness programming with an aim to **reduce falls**
- **Strong partnerships** (100% reported partnering with hospitals and primary care) and strong representation with health links.
- CCACs took on partnership roles in advancing care and **reducing ALC rates**. Examples: spreading the Home First program, acting as Project leads for LHIN wide ALC change

# A Closer Look at Wait Times



## Workplan: Who plans to improve and how much?

Distribution of Targets Set for *Five-Day Wait Time for Home Care: Personal Support for Complex Patients Indicator* Selected by Home Care Organizations in Comparison to their Current Performance, QIP 2017/18

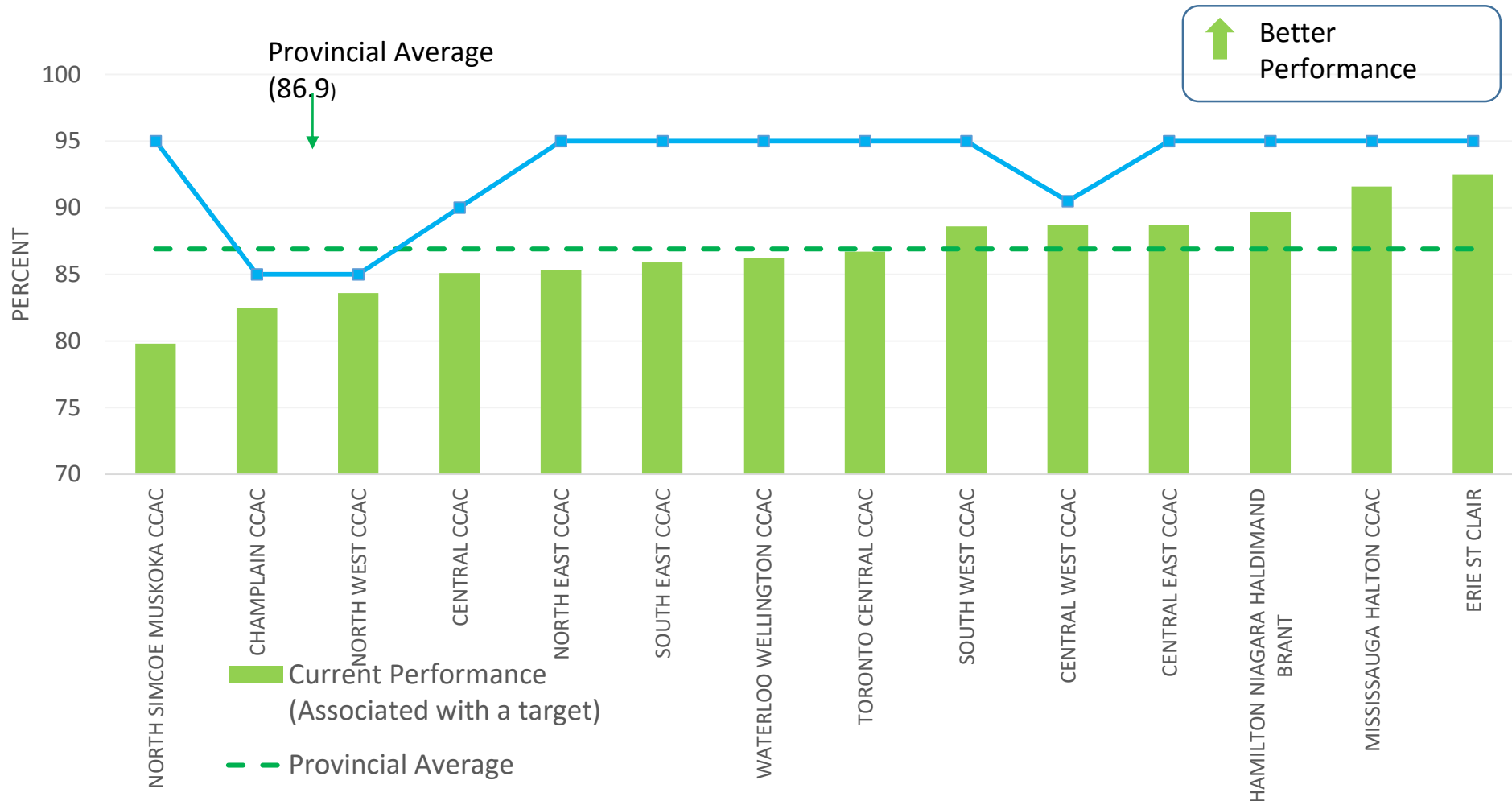


NOTE: ALL 14 HOME CARE ORGANIZATIONS HAVE SET IMPROVEMENT TARGETS

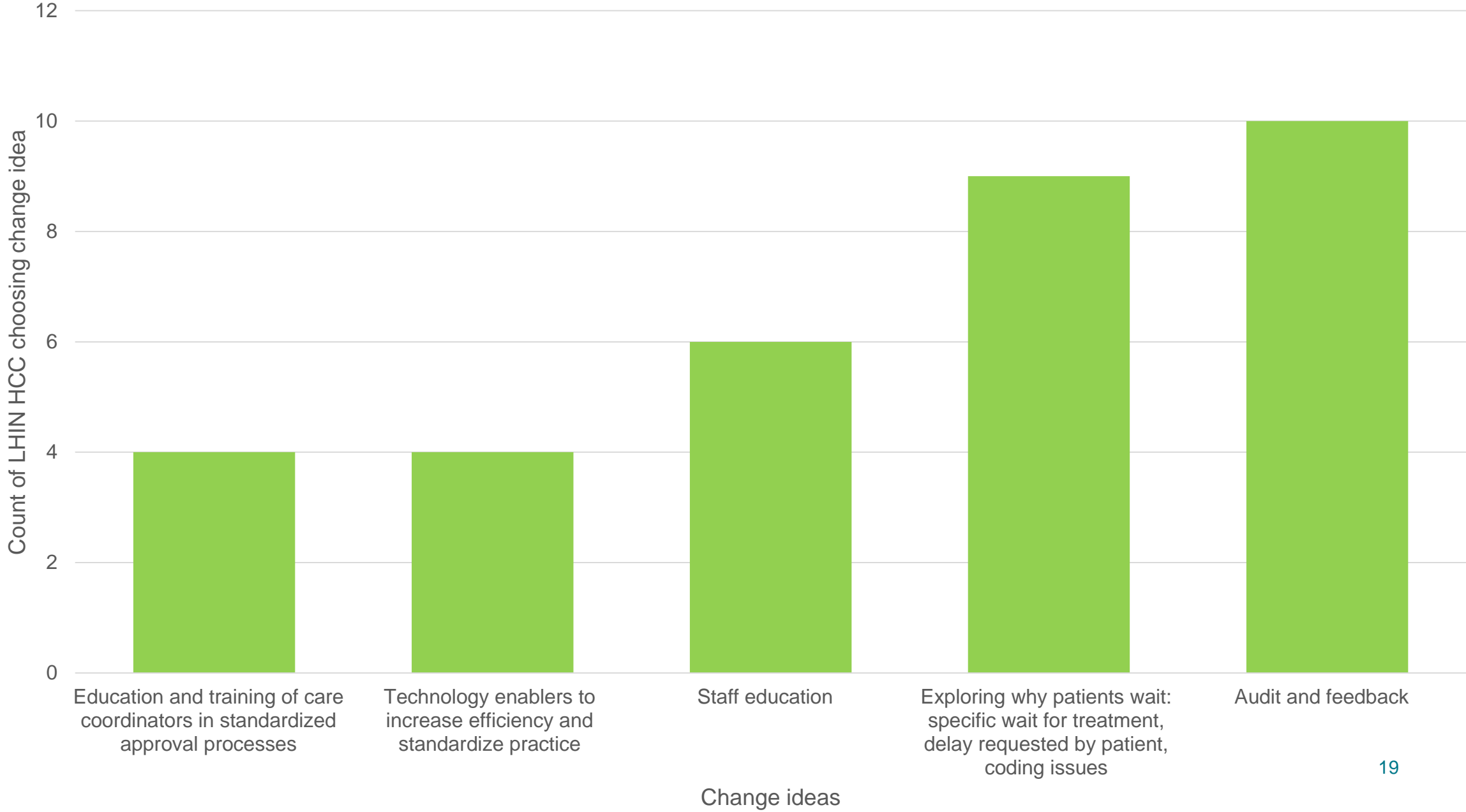
■ Target set in direction of improvement (better than CP)

# Wait Time, PSW visits; Current Performance and Target Setting

Percent of complex patients who received their first personal support visit, within five days of service authorization. QIP 2017/18



# Wait Times, Common Change Ideas



# HNHB LHIN Home and Community Care:

## Wait Times, Personal Support Workers 1<sup>st</sup> Visit (complex patients)

### Subpopulation PSWs caring for complex patients

- **Establishing root cause:** Monthly reports provided to each service provider to investigate and report back to the CCAC to help identify root cause and strategies for improvement

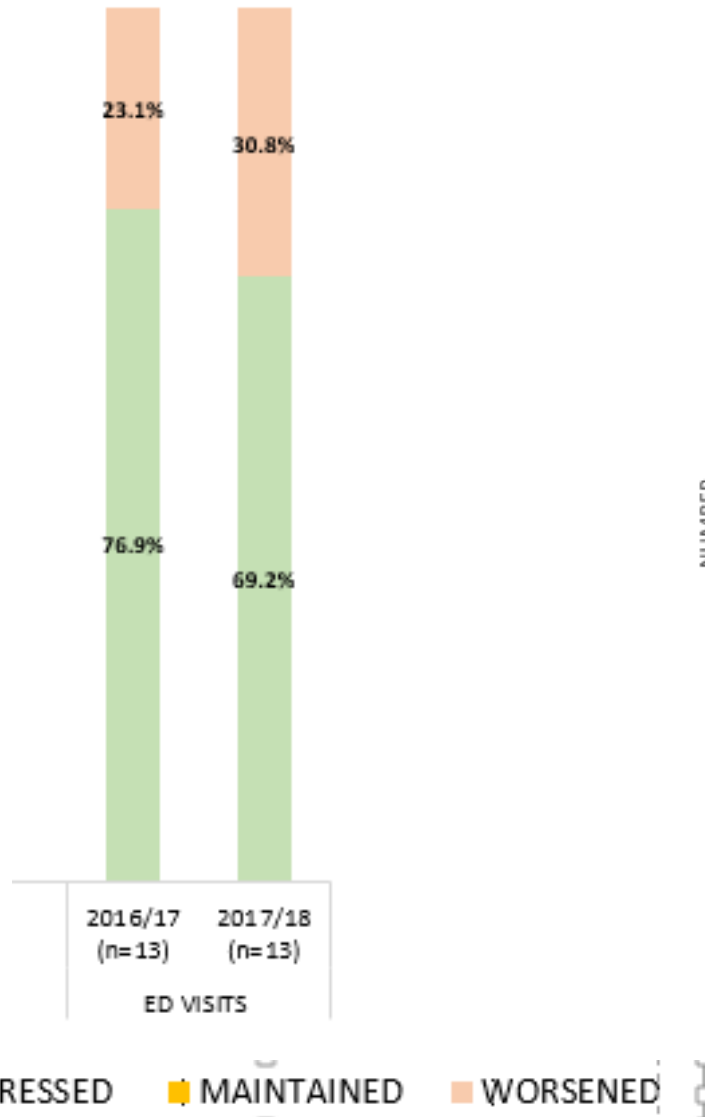
### What did the HNHB LHIN do?

- The results are reviewed with each Service Provider at their quarterly performance meeting.
- The overall number of complex personal support patients continue to remain low (avg. 142 per month total spread across 17 providers) therefore is a challenge to complete trending at an individual service provider level as each provider may have had only 1-2 patients who did not meet the target within the month.

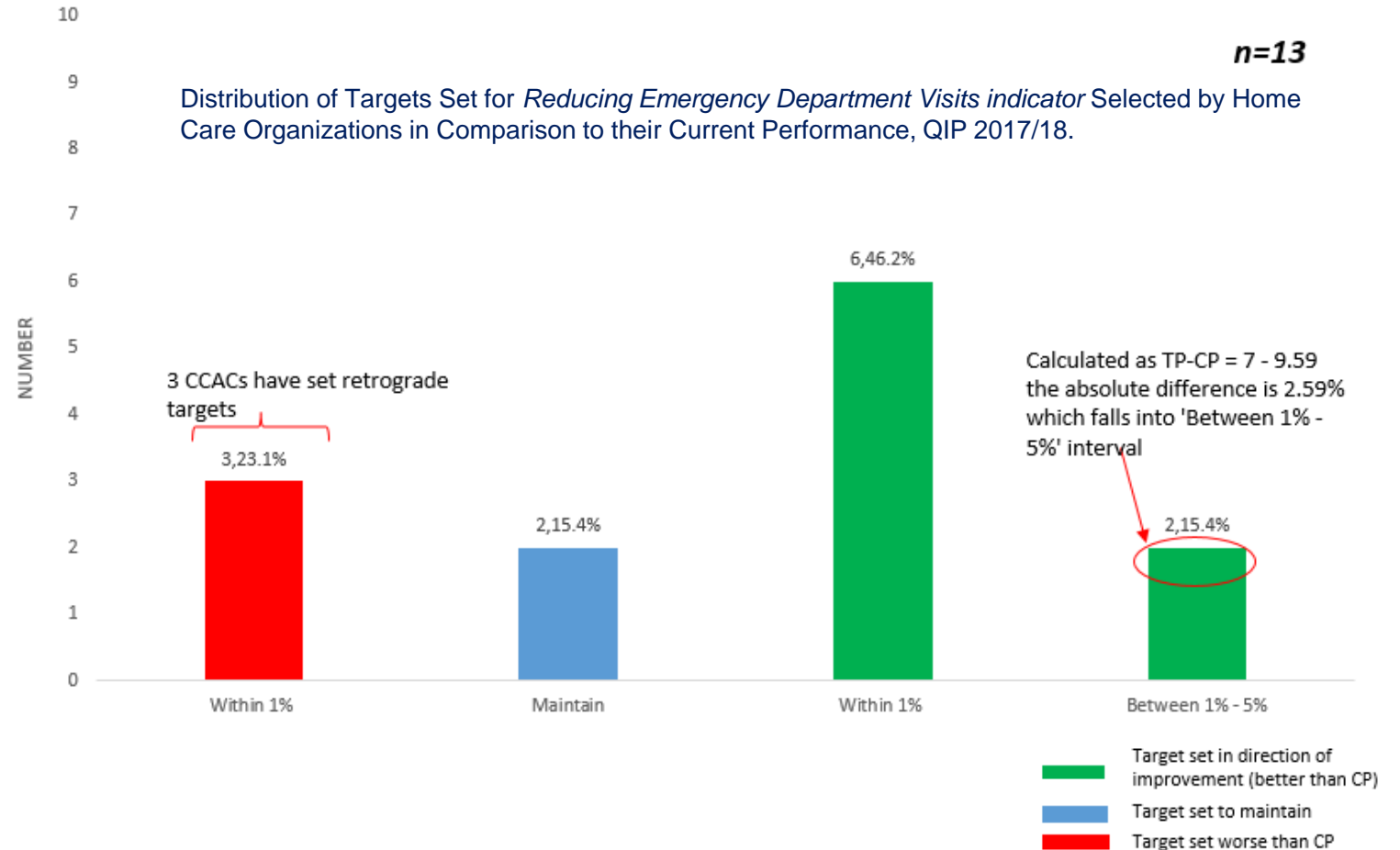
### How did the process change to support this work?

- In 2014/15 a Nursing 5 day dashboard was developed for nursing providers which was instrumental to monitor improvement strategies.
- In 2016/17 the dashboard was applied to complex personal support population for monitoring

# A Closer Look at Emergency Department Visits

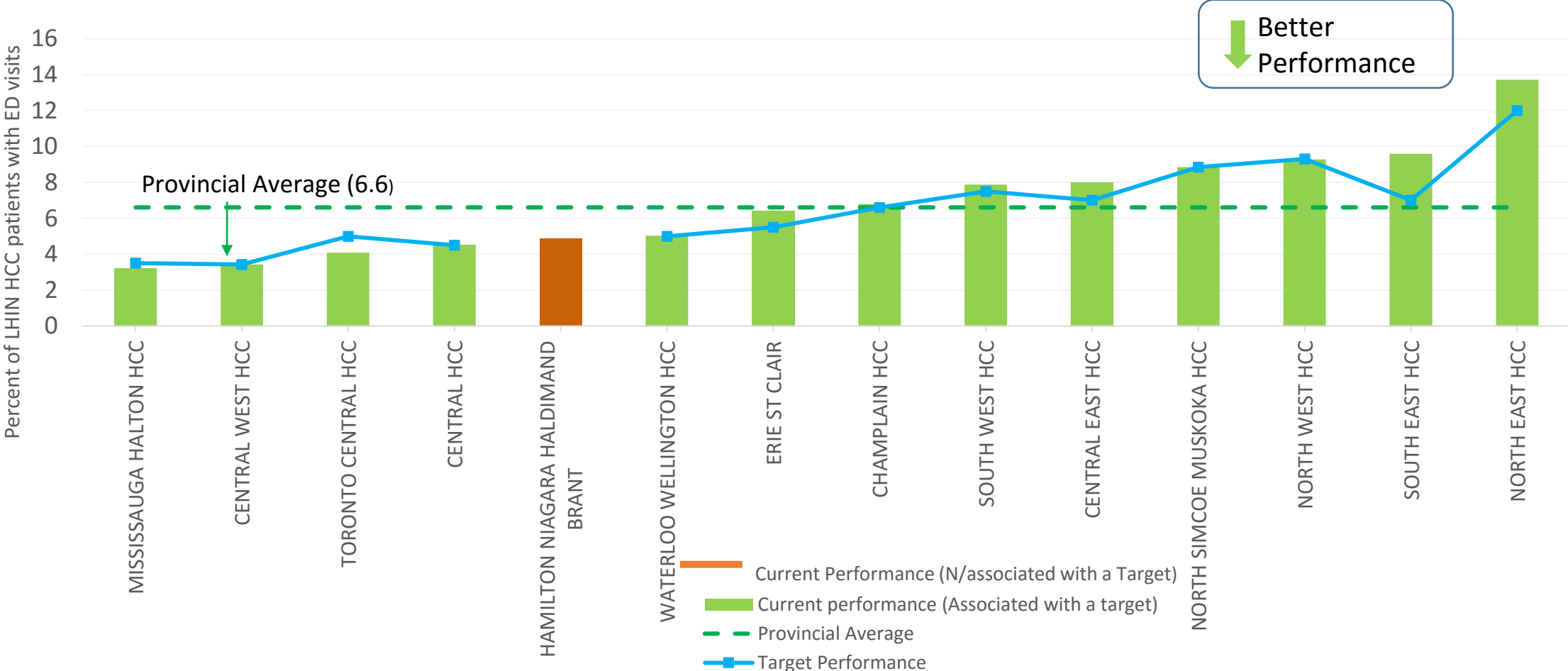


## Workplan: Who plans to improve?

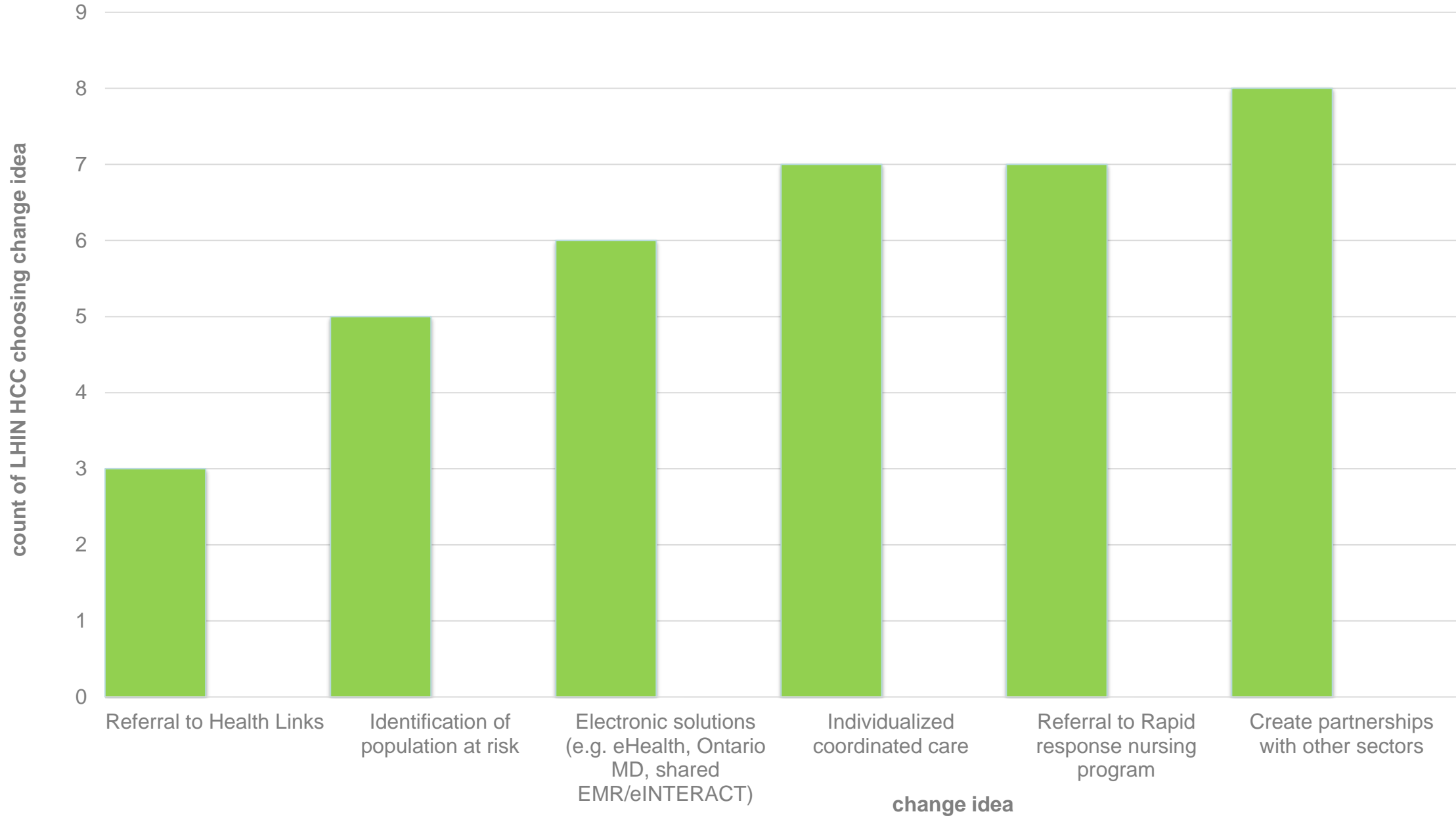


# Emergency Department visits: Current Performance and Target Setting

Percentage of Home Care patients with ED visits: QIP 2017/18



# Emergency Department Visits, Common Change Ideas





# NW LHIN Home and Community Care: Reducing Emergency Department Visits

**Subpopulation** Patients scoring 3, 4, or 5 on the DIVERT scale

## **What did the NW LHIN do?**

- Implemented the DIVERT scale algorithm in Fort Frances and Kenora. Rapid Response Nursing was added for all appropriate patients who scored levels 3, 4 & 5 on the DIVERT scale.
- The RRN service allows an in-depth review of the patient's status and medications in their home, in addition to the RAI Re-Assessment which triggers the alert.

## **How did the process change to support this work?**

Automated notification of patients with DIVERT scores of 3,4, or 5 referred to the RRN program.

**Outcomes:** In past 6 months (Aug 2016-Jan 2017), 29 patients have received RRN service following a DIVERT Scale alert. The RRNs were able to respond to the potential need for extra care and attempt to prevent a visit to the emergency department. Longer term impacts and results of implementing this service will be assessed over time.

*Looking Forward*

**2018/19 QIPs**

# The QIP Consultation Process



- Patient, Family, and Public Advisors Council
- QIP Advisory Committee
- Branches and departments at Health Quality Ontario
- Sector associations
- External data organizations
- QI leads from various organizations
- Data from the QIP
- MOHLTC and LHINs



Ongoing consultations

2018/19 QIP issues & indicators

# QIP Workplan: Indicators

There are four types of indicators:

- **Mandatory (NEW)**
  - REQUIRED in QIP; tied to issues where province-wide improvement is urgently required
  - set by Minister upon consideration of advice from Health Quality Ontario (regulation 187/15 under the *Excellent Care for All Act, 2010*; only applies to Hospital sector)
- **Priority**
  - reflect organizational and sector-specific priorities, as well as system-wide, transformational priorities where improved performance is co-dependent on collaboration with other sectors.
  - Recommended, not required. Must justify decision not to include in QIP
- **Additional**
  - measure important areas for QI and can be included in your QIP to reflect your organization's specific QI goals and opportunities
- **Custom**
  - any other indicators your organization includes in your QIP

# Quality Issues and Indicators for the 2018/19 QIPs

	Hospital	Primary Care	Home Care	Long-Term Care	
<b>Effective</b>	<b>Effective transitions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Readmission for one of CHF, COPD or stroke (QBP) <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Readmission for mental health and addiction <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Patient received enough information on discharge <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Discharge summaries sent within 48 h of discharge <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7-day post-discharge follow-up (any provider) <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• 7-day post-discharge follow-up for select conditions (CHC) <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Hospital readmissions for select conditions <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hospital readmissions <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Unplanned ED visits <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potentially avoidable ED visits for ambulatory care-sensitive conditions <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>
	<b>Coordinating care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify patients with complex health needs (Health Links) <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify patients with complex health needs (Health Links) <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify patients with complex health needs (Health Links) <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	
	<b>Treatment of pain and use of opioids</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>
	<b>Wound care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pressure ulcers <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diabetic foot ulcer risk assessment <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education &amp; self-management <b>(A)</b></li> <li>• Closed diabetic foot ulcer <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pressure ulcers <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>
<b>Patient-centred</b>	<b>Palliative care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home support for discharged palliative patients <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of life, died in preferred place of death <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>	
	<b>Person experience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would you recommend? (IP/ED) <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Time to acknowledge complaints <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patient involvement in decisions about care <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Client experience <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Time to acknowledge complaints <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resident experience <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Time to acknowledge complaints <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>
<b>Efficient</b>	<b>Access to right level of care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> <li>• Alternative level of care rate <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>
<b>Safe</b>	<b>Safe care/medication safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medication reconciliation (discharge) <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Medication reconciliation (admission) <b>(A)</b></li> <li>• Use of physical restraints in mental health patients <b>(A)</b></li> <li>• Antibiotic-free days (ICU) <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medication reconciliation <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Falls for long-stay clients <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prescribing of antipsychotic medications <b>(P)</b></li> <li>• Restraints <b>(A)</b></li> <li>• Falls <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>
	<b>Workplace violence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> <li>• Overall incidents of workplace violence <b>(M)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>
<b>Timely</b>	<b>Timely access to care/services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ED length of stay (complex) <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timely access to primary care (patient perception) <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wait time for home care (personal support worker, nurse) <b>(P)</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Equitable</b>	<b>Population health/equity considerations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> <li>• Glycated hemoglobin testing <b>(A)</b></li> <li>• Colorectal &amp; cervical cancer screening <b>(A)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrative</li> </ul>

Legend: **(P)**: Priority indicator **(M)**: Mandatory indicator **(A)**: Additional indicator (QBP): Indicator related to quality-based procedures

# 2018/19 QIP Indicators: Home Care

- Hospital readmissions
- Unplanned ED visits
- Identify complex patients (Health Links)
- End of life, preferred place of death
- Client experience
- Wait time: nursing visits
- Wait time: personal support
- Falls for long stay clients
- Percent complaints acknowledged
- Closed diabetic foot ulcer
- Education and self management (DFU)

**RETIRED N/A**

**MODIFIED N/A**

**NEW**

- Percent complaints acknowledged (A)
- Closed diabetic foot ulcer (A)
- Education and self management (DFU) (A)

# QIP Narrative

## 2018/19

- Overview
- QI achievements from the past year
- Collaboration and integration
- Engagement of leadership, clinicians and staff
- Patient/resident engagement and relations
- Workplace violence and prevention
- Population health and equity
- Alternate level of care
- Opioid prescribing and opioid use disorder in the treatment of pain

# Patient/Resident Engagement and Relations

There is a spectrum of approaches for engaging patients / clients / residents, including sharing, consulting, deliberating, and collaborating with advisors.

Describe how your organization has engaged your patients / clients / residents in the development and implementation of your quality improvement plan and quality improvement activities over the past year. What do you have planned for the year ahead?



# Population Health and Equity (collapsed)

How has your organization addressed/recognized the needs of unique populations in its quality improvement efforts including, for example, indigenous and francophone communities? How has your organization worked to promote health equity through your quality improvement initiatives?

# Workplace Violence and Prevention

Please describe how workplace violence prevention is a strategic priority for your organization. For example, is it included in your strategic plan or do you report on it to your board?

## Upcoming resources

- Quality Improvement Plan Guidance: Workplace Violence Prevention
- Insights into Quality Improvement: Workplace Violence Prevention from the 2017/18 Quality Improvement Plans
- Health Quality Compass section on workplace violence prevention
- Webinar- December 12 2017

# Opioids Prescribing and Opioid Use Disorder in the Treatment of Pain

Describe what steps your organization is taking to support the effective treatment of pain including opioids treatment practices and promoting alternatives to treatment.

Prompts: Think about access to addiction services, social services, (sub) populations, etc.

*Looking Forward*

**Changes to Navigator**

# Navigator Key Dates and Timelines

- Navigator will launch by November 30, 2017
- Log in before March to ensure there are no surprises
- There will be Navigator training sessions this fall and winter to highlight the new functionalities
- Navigator closes briefly in February so that the indicator current performance values can be prepopulated
- Ensure the QIP is on your Board's calendar prior to April 1, 2018 submission.

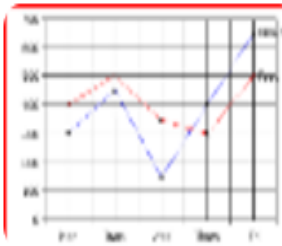
# Navigator Enhancements: Progress Report (PR)

EXPORT CURRENT PROGRESS  
REPORT WITH CHANGE IDEAS

EXPORT CURRENT PROGRESS  
REPORT WITHOUT CHANGE IDEAS

EXPORT FULL PROGRESS REPORT  
TEMPLATE

To enter progress for a Measure/Indicator, click on the "EDIT" button under the ACTIONS column.

ID	INDICATOR (UNIT; POPULATION; PERIOD; DATA SOURCE)	ORG ID	PERFORMANCE STATED IN PREVIOUS QIP	PERFORMANCE TARGET AS STATED IN PREVIOUS QIP	CURRENT PERFORMANCE	COMMENTS	RESULTS
1	% of french language surveys offered per french speaking- preferred resident population ( %; Survey respondents; 2017; In house	777888999	0.00	90.00	85.00		

- Current performance in Progress Report and Workplan automatically linked
- Ability to add new change ideas
- Ability to export full Progress Report template
- Format change of Progress Report – change ideas moved up, comments optional
- Ability to add graphic/results (graphs)

# Navigator Enhancements: Workplan

Change Idea

Change Idea [?](#)

Quality Dimension [?](#) Safe

Issue [?](#) Medication safety

Measure / Indicator [?](#) Medication reconciliation at admission: The total number of patients with medications reconciled as a proportion of the total number of patients admitted to the hospital

Best Practices/Change Ideas [Quality Compass 'Safer Healthcare Now! Medication Reconciliation in Acute Care Getting Started Kit' Institute for Safe Medication Practices Canada website](#)

Organization Hospital A (Test)

Change Number

Planned Improvement Initiatives (Change Ideas) [?](#)

Methods [?](#)

Process Measures [?](#)

Target for process measure [?](#)

Comments [?](#)

[> GO TO CHANGE #](#) #

[✕ DELETE THIS CHANGE IDEA](#) [CANCEL](#) [SAVE](#) [SAVE & CLOSE](#) [+ ADD NEW CHANGE IDEA](#)

- Addition of resources (links) to change ideas window
- Ability to change order of change ideas
- Automated calculations for surveys
- Ability to export full workplan template

## Other Enhancements

Improved automated password reset process

Ability to export full Narrative template

New 'simplified' Query QIP report (issue + sector)

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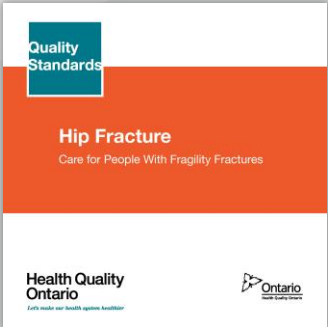


# Learn about shareable ideas in 5 Steps using Query QIP

1. Go to HQO's Navigator website. Search for "[HQO Navigator](#)" in your internet browser and click on this site. You don't need to login, as Query QIP is publically available.
2. Click on the "[Query QIP](#)" tab at the top of the webpage, and you will see a drop down menu of options.
3. Decide if you want to search by text or by indicator, and if you want to search the Narrative, Workplan or Progress Report. Each report is created separately.
4. If you select "text" (and not indicator), enter the term / text you want to search in the first field. If you select "indicator" ( and not text), consider if this indicator is a priority, additional or custom QIP indicator. Select this as a parameter before selecting the indicator you want to search. If you don't know if the indicator is a priority, addition or custom indicator, simply select all three. Answer each of the other fields in turn to complete your report parameters.
5. To see each use of the term / text in the report you are creating, make sure you say "yes" to the last question, which highlights your text word with every instance of its use in the report.

If you have any trouble using Query QIP, or any of the Navigator functionality email: [qip@hqontario.ca](mailto:qip@hqontario.ca) .

# Get connected to Quality Standards. Each quality standard focuses on a certain health care issue and consists of:



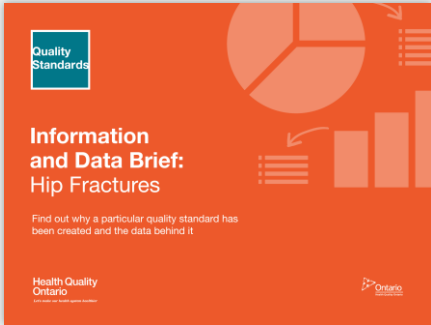
Clinical Guide



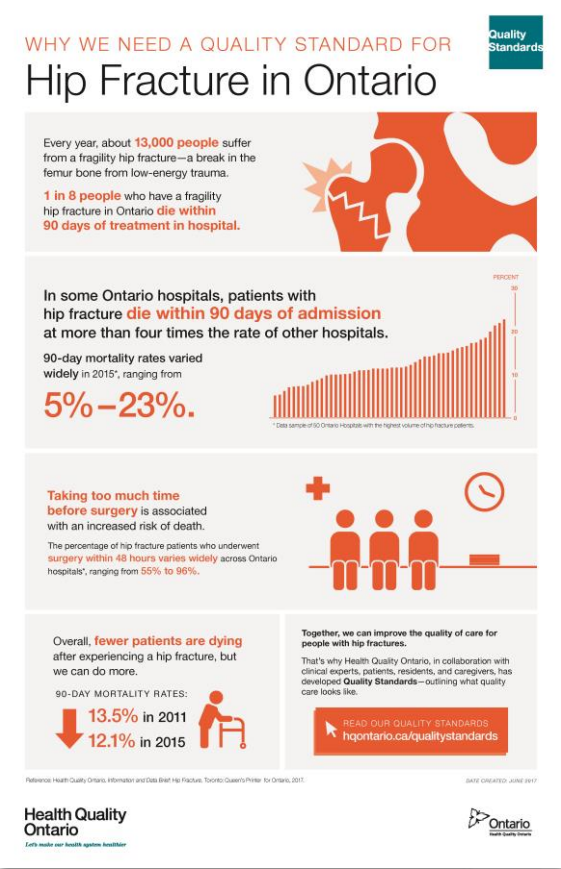
Recommendations for Adoption



Patient Guide



Information and Data Brief



Data Infographic

A Getting Started Guide and Action Plan Template to assist providers, teams and organizations to use the quality standard and prioritize quality statements to guide improvement.

Date Decided (dd mm/yyyy)	Person Responsible:	Deadline for Action (dd/mm/yyyy)	Status Update:
[Click on field and type to insert text]	[Click on field and type to insert text]	[Click on field and type to insert text]	[Click on field and type to insert text]
Question	Your Answer		
Which quality statement is this action plan for?	[Click on field and type to insert text]		
Does this statement apply to your organization? (yes/no)	[Click on field and type to insert text]		
What are we doing now?	[Click on field and type to insert text]		
What are the gaps between current practice and the quality statement?	[Click on field and type to insert text]		
What is the behavioral practice that needs to change?	[Click on field and type to insert text]		

# Patient Engagement

Helping patients and the system engage through tools and resources



## Ontario's Patient Engagement Framework

Creating a strong culture of patient engagement to support high quality health care

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## Engaging with Patients and Caregivers about Quality Improvement

A Guide for Health Care Providers

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