

TOOLS & RESOURCES DISPLAY

TABLE # 14 - HEALTH QUALITY ONTARIO (HQO)

Health Quality Ontario (HQO) is a partner and leader in transforming Ontario's health care system so that it can deliver a better experience of care and better outcomes for Ontarians and better value for money. HQO's legislated mandate under the Excellent Care for All Act, 2010 is to evaluate the effectiveness of new health care technologies and services, report to the public on the quality of the health care system, support quality improvement activities and make evidence-based recommendations on health care funding. HQO is an arms-length agency of the Ontario government.

LTC Benchmarking: An initiative to develop aspirational benchmarks for nine LTC quality indicators, four of which are reported at the home-level. Benchmarks will better support quality improvement in the long-term care sector. These aspirational benchmarks are among the first provincial LTC benchmarks in Canada and represent good resident outcomes and high-quality care.

The Quality Compass: A comprehensive evidence-informed web-based tool to promote the uptake of best practices to support health care leaders and providers make sustainable improvements to transform Ontario's health care system. Each topic provides an overview of provincial performance, indicators and tools to measure performance, HQO's quality improvement framework and a compilation of evidence based best practices and change ideas and tools and resources to facilitate quality improvement. The tool serves as a repository of success stories, highlighting 'bright spots' with implementation details to inform action and improve care in priority health care areas.

Public Reporting at HQO: Ontario's publicly funded health care system touches millions of lives every year. Through public reporting on the quality of health care in Ontario, HQO promotes a culture of quality, value, transparency and accountability in Ontario's health system. This resource outlines such promotions.

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