

Early identification: Documented assessment of palliative care needs for an early, at-risk cohort (Home and Community Care) (Retired)

Alternate Name*

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INDICATOR DESCRIPTION

Description*

This indicator measures the proportion of home care patients with a progressive, life-threatening illness who have had their palliative care needs identified early through a comprehensive and holistic assessment.

Indicator Status*

Active

HQO Reporting tool/product

Quality Improvement Plans (QIPs)

Dimension*

Effective

Type*

Outcome

DEFINITION AND SOURCE INFORMATION

Unit of Measurement*

Proportion

Calculation Methods*

Numerator / Denominator

Numerator including inclusion/exclusion*

Quality Standards: Definitions Used Within This Quality Statement states that the usual categories of palliative care needs included in a holistic palliative assessment could be from any part of a person's full range of needs (physical, psychological, social, linguistic, cultural, legal, ethical, or spiritual) at any stage of illness.

The InterRAI tools provide assessment of palliative care needs. The Health Links Coordinated Care Plan (CCP) provides a palliative section with assessment.

Denominator including inclusion/exclusion*



References to tools for identifying individuals in need of palliative care and assessment needs are in the comments section.

Note: the same client may have multiple home care episodes.

See Step 1: Identify in the Ontario Palliative Care Network's Palliative Care Toolkit.

The InterRAI tools may also provide guidance to identify patients with palliative care needs.

Data Source

Local data collection

Data provided to HQO by

Local data collection

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Caveats and Limitations

Limitations to this measure include that the needs change over time; patients may have more than one home care episode; and needs may have been assessed in other settings. Assessment quality will not be captured, only completions.

Comments Detailed

This is a QIP priority indicator for 2019/20. The QIP current performance reporting period: most recent 6-month period. The data source is InterRAI tools, or other tools chosen by the organization (local data collection).

TAGS

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Home Care

Outcome

Wait Times

Effective

Local data collection

PUBLISH

PUBLISH DATETIME*

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