

Indicators Working Group

Purpose

The working group, essentially a sub-committee of the QIDS Steering Committee informs the development and implementation of indicators, processes and principles for measuring, reporting and ultimately driving continued high performance in primary care.

The key goals of the QIDS program are to improve primary care and enable primary care as a sector to be an anchor for health system transformation. This requires developing actual and perceived leadership in the selection and implementation of indicators that are meaningful, practical reflections of quality in primary care. This working group concerns itself with guiding the QIDS program in building capacity to measure, report and facilitate high performance among the members of the association the program serves, ie the inter-professional teams delivering primary care.

Scope

Strategic advice to QSC and the QIDS program on:

- 1) Primary Care performance measurement
- 2) Leveraging QIDS program to enable primary care to act for change

Roles and Responsibilities

- 1) **Primary Care Performance Measurement:** Provide advice and guidance on barriers and enablers affecting the definition, implementation and adoption of indicators to measure and improve quality in primary care.
 - a. Consider and approve (with appropriate edits) indicators for measuring and improving performance in primary care, particularly as it relates to the inter-professional family health team model.
 - b. Review feedback from members on these indicators for the purposes of further refining the performance measurement framework for primary care.
 - c. Serve as a forum for on-going interaction and relationship development with external bodies engaged in measuring and improving quality in primary care such as Association of Ontario Health Centers, Health Quality Ontario, CIHI and others.
- 2) **Enable primary care to act for change:** Advise the QIDS program on overall coordination and coherence in relationships with the primary care quality improvement and measurement community.

- a. Review aggregated summaries of performance of the membership as a whole on indicators of quality to enable the sector to advise external bodies regarding appropriate indicators for inclusion in performance measurement frameworks for primary care.

Reporting Relationship

The working group provides advice and feedback to QSC. Members share their knowledge and expertise and, on occasion, speak for or follow-up on behalf of their organizations.

Meetings

Monthly, as called by the Chair. Meetings will alternate between in-person and teleconference format, unless otherwise arranged.

Decision-making

The group strives to reach consensus in developing its recommendations.