

BRIGHT LIGHTS AWARDS

2021

Nomination: Reducing unnecessary care

Centre for Family Medicine Community Ward Team

KW4 Community Ward Team – Interprofessional In-Home Primary Care for Medically and Socially Complex Patients

KW4 Community Ward (CWT), an interprofessional team delivering primary care to medically and socially complex patients, many who do not have traditional primary care. Team members two NPs (p/t), 1 SW (p/t), 2 OW, 1 pharmacist (p/t), 1 registered practical nurse, 1 chiropractor for mobility assessments 8 hours a week, 1 resource coordinator (p/t), and 1 office support administrator. Since 2014 in the midst of significant system change, the CWT focused on patients with multiple co-morbidities and inadequacies related to social determinants of health. The team has evolved an interprofessional approach to primary care that is outreach-informed and relationship focused.