

# **Schedule A**

## **“One size does not fit all”**

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Primary Health Care Branch

# Family Health Teams

- Family Health Teams (FHTs) were created throughout Ontario to improve and expand access to comprehensive family health care through an interdisciplinary team of health professionals.
- The Ministry and FHT program funding recipients share the goals of building and expanding a high-quality primary health care system that is: centered on the person, ensures patients receive timely access together with proactive, integrated, and coordinated community-based comprehensive care within the respective regions of recipients.
- As of March 2017, FHTs are serving over 3.4 million Ontarians in over 200 communities through teams that include more than 2,100 interdisciplinary health professionals such as Nurse Practitioners, Social Workers, Dietitians, Pharmacists and over 2,900 affiliated physicians.

# Schedule A – Program and Service Reporting Tool

- Quarterly performance and financial reporting are a ministry-FHT agreement accountability requirement.
- FHT reporting on Programs and Services in Schedule A over the years has had noticeable improvements, due in no small part to all the work done by AFHTO in this area, with ministry support.
- In 2017-18 FHTs on their Schedule As reported they deliver on average approximately 10 Programs.

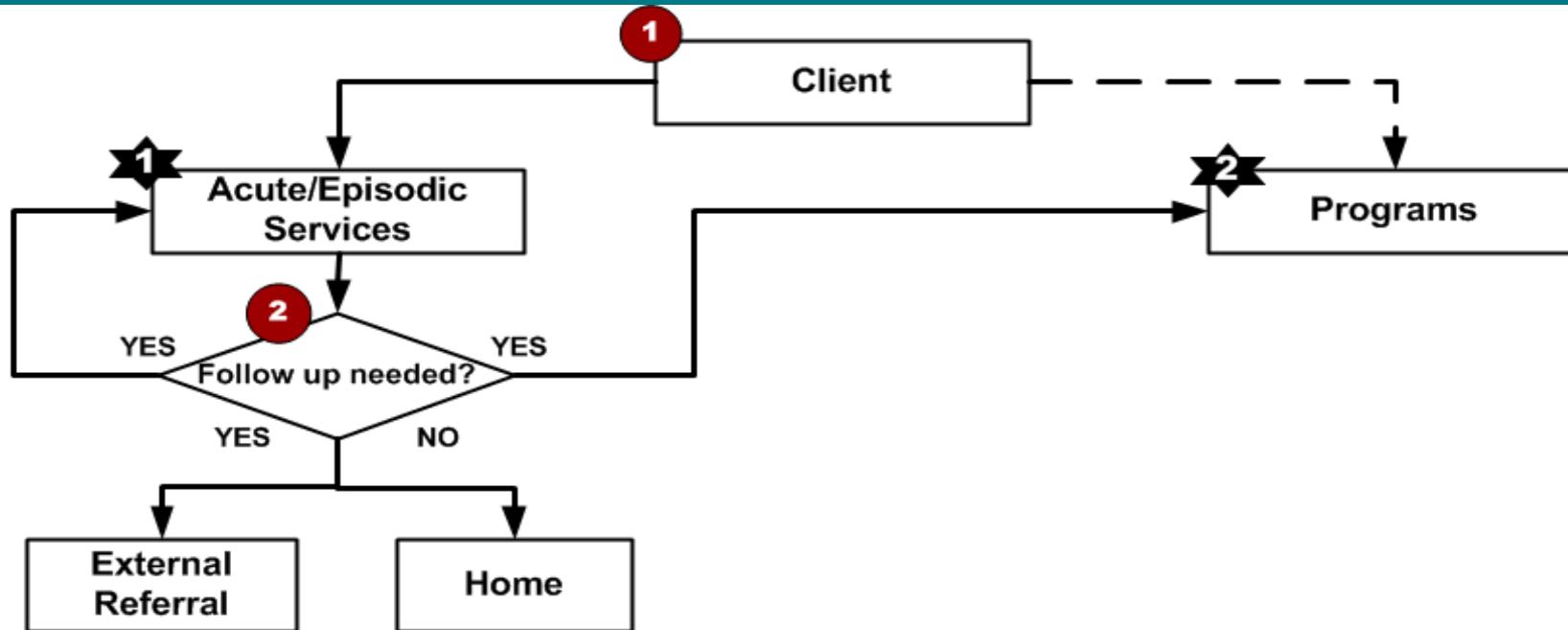
# How does the ministry use Schedule A information?

- Schedule A reporting demonstrates value for money – the information details how FHTs are allocating ministry funded Interdisciplinary Health Provider FTEs to deliver on programs and services to FHT target populations.
- The ministry regularly accesses Schedule A information to:
  - Justify investments in the program to government and decision makers.
  - Respond to information requests from Minister, ADM office, other Ministry of Health Branches, other government branches, LHINs and others.
  - Assess new FHT IHP FTE requests in FHT Annual Operating Plan submissions.
  - Populate the FHT Annual scorecards.

## Schedule A : Early years

## Current Schedule A

# Schedule A : Decision Flowchart



Program Category Examples
Disease Specific
Population Group
Discipline Specific
Health Promotion/Prevention

Processes		Additional Notes	
1	<p>Initial encounter is for acute/episodic/immediate primary care need, unless self-refer or triage (---) directly to programs</p>	1	<p>Examples of acute/episodic services performance measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Access (e.g. # of visits, same day/next day)</li> <li>System level indicators (e.g. ER diversion)</li> </ul>
2	<p>After assessment by MD/NP/RN/RPN/PA, determination made to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>refer to programs based on established referral/program admission criteria</li> <li>follow up with another acute appointment,</li> <li>external referral, or</li> <li>"home", i.e. issue resolved</li> </ul>	2	<p>Programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Program planning process is followed</li> <li>Admission/referral criteria to program are created</li> <li>Planned visit</li> <li>Targeted Intervention</li> <li>Use of clinical outcome measures expected as a performance measure. Eg. Number of patients with COPD who have had diagnosis confirmed with pulmonary function test/post-bronchodilator spirometry</li> </ul>