

IH Physician Quality Improvement (PQI) Initiative Join the QI Revolution

What is PQI and why is it important?

The PQI Initiative is one of two flagship programs of the Specialist Services Committee (SSC) along with Facility Engagement. The SSC represents a partnership between the Government of BC and Doctors of BC, and includes regular representation from health authorities. As such, the PQI initiative is co-designed in collaboration with all health authorities. The IH Physician Quality Improvement (PQI) initiative aims to ensure physicians have access to quality improvement (QI) expertise, data analysis, learning, and funding in support of the goal to increase physician involvement in quality improvement and enhance the delivery of quality patient care. PQI resources are available to all licensed physicians (GPs & Specialists) in the health authority.

“Supported by the SSC and Interior Health, this initiative truly does have the capacity to influence change in the health care system.” – Dr. Devin Harris, PQI Sponsor; Executive Medical Director, IH Quality & Patient Safety

Choose YOUR Opportunity! IH PQI'S Quality Improvement Learning Resources:

1 INTRO TO QI: ON-LINE LEARNING

Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) Open School

Upon emailed request, IH PQI will provide a license code and instructions to access full IHI Open School course catalogue. We provide up to 6 hours of sessional funding upon the completion of six recommended introductory CME accredited QI courses.

2 INTRO TO QI: FACILITATED WORKSHOPS

Introduction to Quality Improvement Workshops

Education sessions facilitated by PQI Consultants provide an opportunity for participants to work with their peers, applying QI tools to improvement ideas brought forward by the group. The learning outlines the first steps in developing a project idea into a project plan. PQI staff provide coaching and support during these CME accredited workshops.

3 ADVANCED: COHORT PARTICIPATION

IH PQI Advanced Learning Cohort - Apply via the [IH PQI On-line Application](#)

This option provides participants more in-depth CME accredited QI education through scheduled sessions (in-person & virtual). You will learn key principles and techniques related to QI, leadership, stakeholder engagement and supporting change. Each participant is allocated sessional hours to support both the time spent at the learning sessions and their independent project work. Cohort participants are supported by a PQI Consultant in their area, the PQI team and IH technical staff.

Components of PQI

The following components have been implemented to support physicians on their quality improvement (QI) journey by identifying resources and opportunities for stakeholder involvement.

- **Funding** for physician QI training and sessional time related to developing their project idea.
- **Engagement and Collaboration** with Interior Health partners, programs and Specialist Services Committee (SSC) resources.
- **Technical Support** including Quality Improvement Consultants, PQI Coordinator, Data Analyst.
- **PQI Physician Advisor & Mentors** to coach and mentor physician colleagues during their QI learning journey and project progression.
- **Joint IH/SSC PQI Steering Committee** to oversee the PQI initiative.
- **Dyad Partnerships** to foster collaboration between physicians and their IH partners to influence real change in their department. IH Operational dyad partners are encouraged to participate in QI learning sessions with their physician partners, allowing the time and opportunity to apply QI tools learned to develop an idea into an achievable plan.



Check out the Interior Health YouTube channel to view a playlist of PQI videos. Watch cohort graduate presentations and learn more about the initiative from leaders and participants: [“Why PQI?”](#)

Questions? Ready to Register? Contact pqi@interiorhealth.ca