

Quality Award 2023

Nomination Form

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

The CQCO Quality and Innovation (QI) Awards 2023 welcome nominations from any institution, practice or organization that provides cancer prevention activities or cares for people being treated for or living with cancer in Ontario.

The *Quality Award* is presented to a program or initiative that best demonstrates these criteria:

- Improved outcomes
- Sustainability
- Economic benefits
- Meaningful impact on patients, families, resources, and processes

The QI Awards define and measure quality based on Institute of Medicine's 6 quality dimensions:

- **Effectiveness:** Providing services based on scientific knowledge to all who could benefit and refraining from providing services to those not likely to benefit (avoiding underuse and misuse, respectively).
- **Efficient:** Avoiding waste, including waste of equipment, supplies, ideas, and energy.
- **Equitable:** Providing care that does not vary in quality because of personal characteristics such as gender, ethnicity, geographic location, and socioeconomic status.
- **Timely:** Reducing waits and sometimes harmful delays for both those who receive and those who give care.
- **Safe:** Avoiding harm to patients from the care that is intended to help them.
- **Patient-Centered:** Providing care that is respectful of and responsive to individual patient preferences, needs and values, and ensuring patient values guide all clinical decisions.

The nomination must show measurable evidence of how the quality initiative improved outcomes.

Upon preliminary review of your nomination, we may recommend that your submission be considered for a different award category.

Project Details and Contact Information

Name of initiative, project, or program:

Organization:

Year initiative was developed:

Name(s) of initiative team member(s):

Name and email of primary contact person:

Your name (if different from above):

Has the initiative been submitted for the QI Awards in previous years? If so, which year(s)?

Note: You must let the nominees know that you are submitting the nomination on their behalf. By allowing themselves to be nominated, the nominees acknowledge and agree that – if they are selected for the award – their names and initiative will appear on the [Cancer Quality Council of Ontario](#) website. We will also feature winners on social media platforms.

Quality Dimensions and Patient Experience

1. The Quality and Innovation Awards define and measure quality based on 6 quality dimensions. Of the following dimensions, select the 3 that are most relevant to the initiative being nominated:

- Improves effectiveness
- Increases efficiency
- Improves health equity
- Increases safety
- Delivers timely care
- Provides responsive and respectful person-centred care

2. The QI Awards recognize and encourage initiatives that improve the patient experience along the cancer care continuum, from prevention to survivorship or end-of-life care. From the following list of the stages of the care continuum, select all that are relevant to the initiative being nominated:

- Prevention
- Screening
- Diagnosis
- Treatment

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- Recovery/Survivorship
 - Palliative Care (including End-of-Life Care)

Background Information

1. Describe the problem that led to the implementation of the initiative and how the initiative addresses the problem. (200 words)

2. Provide a summary of the initiative and why it should be considered for the Quality Award.

Please include:

- Who is the target audience (patients, clients, system, etc.)?
- Description of the initiative
- When and how was it implemented? How long was the process?

Using data, explain how the initiative addresses the problem. Identify the quality dimension(s) it impacts and how. (350 words)

Outcomes

3. Describe how the initiative produces and measures the impact on patients and families, healthcare providers and the system (value for money). (500 words)

4. Describe how the initiative improves cost-effectiveness and value for money or improves quality without additional costs. (250 words)

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5. Describe how the initiative is being championed and applied throughout the organization. Include specific efforts undertaken to share with others. What tools and processes are in place to sustain it or to ensure dissemination and uptake in other regions? Is it scalable across the province? (250 words)

Submitting Application

Please send the completed nomination form along with any supporting documents of no more than 5 pages to cqco@ontariohealth.ca.

To see previous award recipients, visit www.cqco.ca/en/quality-innovation-awards.

****You will receive a confirmation email within 48 hours. If you do not receive a confirmation, your submission may have exceeded the allowable limit of 10 MB. ****