

2019/20 Quality Improvement Plan
Improvement Targets and Initiatives

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Item	Quality dimension	Measure	Unit / Population	Source / Period	Organization ID	Current performance	Target	Justification	External Collaborators	Planned improvement initiatives (Change Ideas)	Methods	Process measures	Target for process measure	Comments	
Theme I: Timely and Efficient Transition	Efficient	Average number of inpatients receiving care in unconventional spaces or ER stretchers per day within a given time period.	Count / All patients	Daily BCS / October - December 2018	973*	0				1) Patient and Family Communication	WAAHA's discharge planning, nursing teams and physicians conduct family meetings for higher risk A/C patients and have also communicated the benefits of moving A/C patients to more appropriate care facilities as needed. The teams are also in close contact with the families of A/C patients to help make sure they receive the care they need, whether this is obtained through WAAHA, by transferring patients back home with the appropriate community care supports or by moving patients to other care facilities as required.	High risk patients and their families have the opportunity to participate in meetings with WAAHA health care providers when required to discuss care needs during their inpatient stays.	100% of high risk patients and their families have a meeting shortly after admission to back to their homes with General Hospital (WHG), Fair Albany Hospital (FAH) and Attawapiskat Hospital (AH) and follow-up meetings are coordinated as required.	WAAHA continues to make strides in this area, inpatients are being linked to the care supports required during their inpatient stays, transitioning back to their homes with community care assistance when appropriate or they are moved to other care facilities as required. WAAHA's discharge planning, nursing and physician teams continue to work together, keeping patients engaged about their care and also communicating with identified family members as needed.	
		Total number of alternate level of care (ALC) days contributed by A/C patients within the specific reporting month/quarter using near-real-time acute and post-acute ALC information and monthly bed census data.	Rate per 100 inpatient days / All inpatients	WTF6, CCO, BCS, MOHLTC / July - September 2018	973*	18.3	16.50	10% when compared to 2017-2018 performance.			2) Development of a formal tracking system to record the amount of time required to acknowledge complaints received from when they were initially submitted.	WAAHA has hired a Quality Assistant and this person will serve as the main contact to receive and follow-up on patient complaints. This individual along with support from Quality colleagues, will develop a tracking system to ensure WAAHA acknowledges patient complaints within five business days.	Number of times that WAAHA successfully acknowledges receiving a patient complaint within five business days versus number of total complaints received by WAAHA in 2019-2020.	100% of patient complaints acknowledged within five business days of receiving the complaint.	Stretch target: WAAHA acknowledges patient complaints 100% of the time within 5 business days each and every year on a go forward basis.
Theme II: Safe and Effective Care	Timely	Percentage of patients discharged from hospital with a discharge summary sent to the primary care provider within 48 hours of patient's discharge from hospital.	% / Discharged patients	Hospital collected data / Most recent 3 month period	973*					3) Progress reporting to the Public and WAAHA staff	WAAHA's Quality Department will be developing a process to report quarterly and yearly progress of outcomes for projects undertaken and will include this information within the report generated.	A progress report will be sent out every three months to WAAHA staff and the yearly reporting for the public will be included in WAAHA's QIP for 2019-2020.	WAAHA's Quality Department will send out four quarterly reports to staff in 2019-2020 and generate a QIP in 2019-2020.	WAAHA believes it is important for staff and the public to be informed of the organization's continued performance regarding the acknowledgment of complaints within legislative mandated timelines.	
		Percentage of respondents who responded positively to the following question: Did you receive enough information from hospital staff about what to do if you were worried about your condition or treatment after you left the hospital?	% / Survey respondents	CHI CRES / Most recent consecutive 12-month period	973*	93.51	98.18	WAAHA will improve by 5% in 2019-2020 when compared to 2018-2019 performance.	1) Use of additional marketing mediums to increase participation in the organization's emergency and inpatient department surveys.	WAAHA's Quality Department use the corporate Facebook page to promote the survey to the public and make adjustments to the survey website on www.waha.ca to increase the number of responses.	Number of survey responses received from the public through its website and through its Facebook page.	To develop a baseline for identification of a survey performance target.	WAAHA continues to encourage public participation in its survey and feedback processes, allowing the organization to review responses received and assess client/patient satisfaction.		
Theme III: Safe and Effective Care	Effective	Medication reconciliation at discharge: Total number of discharged patients for whom a Best Possible Medication Discharge Plan was created as a proportion of the total number of patients discharged.	Rate per total number of discharged patients	Hospital collected data / October - December 2018	973*	CB	CB	WAAHA has an approved policy in place for medication reconciliation and will collect baseline data in 2019-2020 for identification of a future performance target in 2020-2021.		1) Staff training initiative	Deliver training on WAAHA Best Possible Medication History (BPMH) discharge process to doctors and nurses.	Number of doctors and nurses trained on BPMH discharge process divided by the total number of doctors and nurses working at WAAHA.	100% of doctors and nurses are trained on the BPMH process.	Ultimate goal: to make sure all doctors and nurses are trained and understand WAAHA's medication reconciliation program.	
		Proportion of hospitalizations where patients with a progressive, life-threatening illness have their palliative care needs identified early through a comprehensive and holistic assessment.	Proportion / at-risk cohort	Local data collection / Most recent 6 month period	973*						2) Creation of a BPMH for inpatients who are preparing to be discharged from WGH inpatient department.	Medication reconciliation process including patient BPMH will be initiated in acute and primary care areas by health care providers.	1) Every 3 months the number of BPMH reconciliations for admitted inpatients at WGH will be compared to the number of admitted inpatients and a report will be delivered to the WAAHA Quality Department to keep track of progress. 2) Total number of discharged patients for whom a BPMH was created divided by the total number of inpatients discharged.	1) At least 60% of inpatients have a BPMH created upon being discharged from the hospital.	Ultimate goal: to have BPMH created for 100% of discharged inpatients. This program will be offered in FAH and AH once it is fully implemented at WGH.
Theme III: Safe and Effective Care	Safe	Rate of mental health or addiction episodes of care that are followed within 30 days by another mental health and addiction admission.	Rate per 100 Discharges / Discharged patients with mental health & addiction	CHI DALGM / CHMRS/MOHLTC / RPOB / January - December 2017	973*	A				3) Progress reporting to the public and WAAHA staff	Communication of medication reconciliation discharge results to staff and public.	Number of medication reconciliation reports sent to staff and public in 2018-2019.	Medication reconciliation results are reported to staff and the public.	Ultimate goal: to make staff and the public aware of WAAHA's performance.	
		Medication reconciliation at admission: The total number of patients with medications reconciled as a proportion of the total number of patients admitted to the hospital.	% / All inpatients	In house data collection / October 2019 - March 2020	973*	CB	CB	WAAHA has a new approved policy in place for medication reconciliation for 2019-2020. The medication reconciliation program will be piloted at WGH, with baseline data being collected to develop a future performance target in 2020-2021.			1) Staff training initiative	Deliver training on WAAHA Best Possible Medication History (BPMH) Admission process to doctors and nurses.	Number of doctors and nurses trained on BPMH Admission process divided by total number of doctors and nurses working at WAAHA.	100% of doctors and nurses are trained.	Ultimate goal: to make sure all doctors and nurses are trained, ensuring patient medication profiles are completed for admissions.
Theme III: Safe and Effective Care	Safe	Number of workplace violence incidents reported by hospital workers (as defined by OHSIA) within a 12 month period.	Count / Worker	Local data collection / January - December 2018	973*	5	5.00	WAAHA encourages staff to report incidents as they happen, the organization hopes the number of occurrences reduces over time, but has kept their performance target the same for 2019-2020.		1) Evaluate (trend analysis) the amount of patient/visitor to health care provider/staff workplace violence incidents received.	WAAHA's Quality Department and Occupational Health/Safety Nurse will review the number of incidents received through the organization's incident management system, to analyze if common trends exist. The data is already captured through a report generated by the Quality Department.	The number of workplace violence incidents reported by hospital workers in 2019-2020 will continue to be reported, according to OHSIA guidelines.	1) 100% of workplace violence incidents are investigated, with outcomes recorded as per OHSIA guidelines. 2) 100% of workplace violence incidents reviewed and categorized, for analysis of possible developing trends.	ETE-430	
		Falls for long stay clients.	% / Complete continuing care residents	In house data collection / October 2019 - March 2020	973*	CB	CB	WAAHA will be implementing its newly endorsed falls prevention policy in 2019-2020 and will identify a baseline to develop a future performance target in 2020-2021.			2) Strategy developed to increase staff awareness	The Quality Department will meet with communications and clinical staff to develop a strategy to increase staff awareness of our program and to also help them with accessing the program if required.	A formalized strategy will be developed and finalized.	The strategy is 100% complete and ready for use.	WAAHA will make adjustments and changes to its program and training when required, to make sure it stays in compliance with legislative guidelines.
Theme III: Safe and Effective Care	Equity	Falls for long stay clients.	% / Complete continuing care residents	In house data collection / October 2019 - March 2020	973*	CB	CB	WAAHA will be implementing its newly endorsed falls prevention policy in 2019-2020 and will identify a baseline to develop a future performance target in 2020-2021.		3) Staff training initiative	Deliver training for WAAHA falls prevention policy to health care providers and staff in FAH.	Number of health care staff who receive falls prevention training in FAH.	100% of health care staff are aware of how to implement the falls prevention program with long stay clients.	Supplemental education will be offered to health care providers and staff in FAH for future years (eg. either training on how to fill the difference between dementia, delirium and depression, additional training on fall intervention best practices, etc.)	
		In-Hospital Sepsis: Number of patients identified with sepsis within 1st hour, (time of triage in ER or from time of identification of sepsis) to time of antibiotic administration divided by the number of patients identified with sepsis, from patient case reviews.	% / ED patients	In house data collection / July - November 2019	973*	CB	CB	To collect baseline data for development of a future performance target.			1) Falls and risk assessment tools utilized for CCC inpatients	Have health care providers use the Morse Fall Scale with chronic continuing care (CCC) inpatients upon admission to FAH and when falls happen to re-evaluate patients, utilize Morse Scale Fall interventions for moderate and high risk patients.	1) Number of CCC patients assessed within 24 hours of their admission using the Morse Fall Scale divided by the total number of CCC patients assessed within 24 hours after a fall happens divided by the total number of CCC patient falls.	1) 100% of CCC patients assessed within 24 hours of their admission using the Morse Fall Scale. 2) 80% of CCC Morse Scale follow-up assessments conducted within 24 hours after a fall.	Stretch Target: Morse Fall Scale assessment to be conducted within 24 hours of admission and also within 24 hours after a fall occurs.
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