

# QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

## Progress Report, 2025/26

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# OUR INDICATORS

| Priority        | Indicator  | Baseline            | Target              | Final |
|-----------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Access and Flow | ED length of stay, non-admitted, high acuity (90 <sup>th</sup> ) | 8.1                 | 7.9                 | 8.7   |
|                 | ED wait time to inpatient bed (90 <sup>th</sup> )                | 19.3                | 18.7                | 20.6  |
| Equity          | Sexual and gender diversity                                      | 0%                  | 80%                 | 87.3% |
|                 | Health equity data collection                                    | 17.4%               | 19.1%               | 16.6% |
| Experience      | Patients received adequate information at discharge              | 60.2%               | 64.0%               | 66.1% |
| Safety          | Workplace violence incidents with lost time                      | 12                  | 11                  | 22    |
|                 | Physical restraint events > 4 hours in the ED                    | Collecting Baseline | Collecting Baseline | 25.4% |
|                 | Patient safety incidents   | 292                 | 321                 | 327   |

# ED LENGTH OF STAY

| Indicator Definition  | Data Source                          | Baseline | Target | Final |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| 90th Percentile Emergency Department Non-Admitted Length of Stay (high acuity) in hours | CCO / P4R iPort<br>Dec 2024-Nov 2025 | 8.1      | 7.9    | 8.7   |

| Change Idea                         | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Flow optimization                   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MRP Policy approved and updates made</li> <li>New ED zone deployed</li> <li>MD schedules revised to align with demand</li> <li>Several partnerships established: Peer support workers; East Toronto Hart Hub; Indigenous Patient Navigator; East Toronto Primary Care Navigation Clinic</li> <li>Strengthened presence of GEM+ team</li> <li>Green Zone Kaizen event completion</li> <li>6S Supply room transformation completion</li> </ul> |
| Improve DI and Lab turnaround times | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modified DI tech break coverage to better synchronize resources with demand</li> <li>Finalized review of Choosing Wisely</li> </ul>  |
| IT and Innovation                   | In Progress             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CPOE digitization has not yet started</li> <li>RN Web Scheduler has not yet started</li> <li>AI Scribe policy finalized and Heidi implemented into practice</li> </ul>   |

# TIME TO INPATIENT BED

| Indicator Definition   | Data Source                          | Baseline | Target | Final |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| 90th Percentile Emergency Department time from disposition to bed in hours | CCO / P4R iPort<br>Dec 2024-Nov 2025 | 19.3     | 18.7   | 20.6  |

| Change Idea   | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges   |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Teletracking (EVS)  | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly report developed and reviewed by Support Service leadership</li> <li>Monitor of monthly queue time, turn time for cleaning, queue time and transport time for portering have been reviewed and monitored closely by the Support Service leadership</li> </ul>   |
| Estimated Discharge Date (inpatients)   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Officially launched EDD initiative with QBP guideline in Q3</li> <li>Implemented prompt EDD discussions and consistent recording on the electronic whiteboard</li> <li>Forecast model piloted; however, it was later terminated due to technical system constraints</li> </ul>  |
| Admission and discharge process: Enhance discharge documentation (Inpatient); streamline admission to mental health & pediatric units | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conducted patient journey analysis and launched a streamlined discharge process to close the gap</li> <li>Subsequent audits confirmed that found bed has been consistently reduced to lower than 10%</li> <li>Launched PEZ unit which offers short stay admission (72 hours) under Psychiatrist MRP</li> </ul>  |
| Proactive transition (transition, flow, IP)   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Achieved 27% reduction in Acute ALC annual bed equivalency and a 22% reduction in Non-Acute ALC bed equivalency between Apr to Dec compared to previous year</li> <li>Achieved a 20% cumulative weekend discharge rate by Q2</li> <li>Launched new Acute-to-Rehab pathway aligned with Ontario Health guidelines</li> <li>Established weekly ALC tracker for acute and non-acute placements shared with leadership to ensure close oversight of high-priority cases</li> <li>Successfully integrated OHAH co-location, with Care Coordinators now attending rounds regularly</li> </ul> |

# SEXUAL AND GENDER DIVERSITY

| Indicator Definition  | Data Source                     | Baseline | Target | Final |
|---|---------------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Percent of staff and leaders completing mandatory training for Foundations of Sexual and Gender Diversity | Human Resources<br>Jan-Dec 2025 | 0%       | 80%    | 87.3% |

| Change Idea  | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges   |
|--|-------------------------|--|
| Develop Foundations of Sexual and Gender Diversity training                                | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training collaboratively developed and reviewed by relevant stakeholders</li> </ul> |
| Measure completion rate of all credentialed clinicians                                     | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Credentialed clinicians will complete by mid-March</li> </ul>                       |
| Measure completion rate of all new MGH hires with a start date within the reporting period | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completion rates exceed target goal</li> </ul>                                      |
| Launch Foundations of Sexual and Gender Diversity training for leaders                     | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completion rates exceed target goal</li> </ul>                                      |

# HEALTH EQUITY DATA COLLECTION

| Indicator Definition   | Data Source                     | Baseline | Target | Final |
|--|---------------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Percent of Adult Day Surgery and Adult Elective Surgical patients completing the Health Equity Questionnaire | Human Resources<br>Jan-Dec 2025 | 17.4%    | 19.1%  | 16.6% |

| Change Idea   | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges   |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Engage Emerging Leaders Program members in developing best practice recommendations | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emerging leaders successfully engaged with relevant stakeholders and conducted an environmental scan</li> <li>A robust consultative report with actionable change ideas was finalized</li> </ul>  |
| Use new HE questionnaire  | Not Implemented         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A new version of the questionnaire did not become available, and as such we were not able to implement</li> </ul>   |
| Distribution of HE questionnaire  | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Questionnaires were distributed by T6 nurses at discharge as a net new point of data collection</li> <li>Posters with QR codes in addition to an anonymous drop box were provided to J4 for patients to complete the questionnaire in paper form or online</li> </ul> |
| Engage key stakeholders   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders including staff and leadership on T6/J4, patient access, decision-support, privacy, facilities were engaged to determine additional opportunities for survey distribution and collection</li> </ul>  |

# PATIENT EXPERIENCE

| Indicator Definition   | Data Source  | Baseline | Target | Final |
|--|--|----------|--------|-------|
| Percent of top box responses (“Completely”) to the 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”? All survey respondents discharged | Qualtrics<br>Medicine & Surgery<br>Apr 2025-Dec 2025 | 60.2%    | 64.0%  | 66.1% |

| Change Idea   | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges   |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Continue to implement PODS (Patient Oriented Discharge Summary) Framework   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guideline has been drafted, reviewed and used</li> <li>PODS have been designed and implemented in Surgery, CIU, T9,T8 and T7</li> <li>Patient representative assisted in writing several PODS</li> <li>Updates were made to support PowerChart documentation</li> <li>Opportunity to leverage CRLs to support more consistent distribution</li> </ul> |
| Improve collaboration with patients and care partners, and support readiness to transition by incorporating RNAO (registered nurses association of Ontario) Transitions in Care Best Practice Guideline | In Progress             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PEP engagement is planned for Feb/March 2026 meetings re: RNAO guidelines</li> </ul>  |
| Apply an equity lens on patient experience data   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analysis completed by Decision Support team</li> <li>Research completed on the feasibility and availability of providing surveys in non-English languages</li> </ul>  |

# WORKPLACE VIOLENCE

| Indicator Definition   | Data Source                  | Baseline | Target | Final |
|--|------------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Number of workplace violence incidents that result in a lost time reported by hospital workers (as by defined by OHS) within a 12-month period | Parklane and HR Jan-Dec 2025 | 12       | 11     | 22    |

| Change Idea  | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges  |
|--|-------------------------|---|
| Simplify the incident reporting process to encourage reporting   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To simplify incident reporting, the QR code reporting method in the Emergency Department was removed to consolidate reporting into a single RL dataset</li> <li>Select questions were also removed to reduce reporting burden, and an interpersonal conflict classification was added to better capture horizontal workplace violence</li> </ul> |
| Implement methods to reinforce workers in feeling safe, prepared and supported in their work environment | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In efforts to improve staff sense of perceived safety, body-worn cameras have been implemented and increased security presence at ED triage has been introduced</li> </ul>   |
| Code White Committee to enhance code white response  | In Progress             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Code White Committee Terms of Reference has been drafted</li> <li>A Workplace Violence Dashboard is reviewed monthly and includes Code White activations</li> </ul>  |
| Behavioural Care Plan Alert System for patient and worker safety   | In Progress             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Behavioural Specialists have made contextual updates to the Behavioural Care Plan, with further work underway to standardize the care plan and associated pathways across the organization</li> </ul>  |

# PHYSICAL RESTRAINT EVENTS

| Indicator Definition  | Data Source              | Baseline               | Target                 | Final |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| Percent physical restraint events longer than 4 hours in the Emergency Department | Internal<br>Apr-Dec 2025 | Collecting<br>Baseline | Collecting<br>Baseline | 25.4% |

| Change Idea   | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges   |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Digitize Restraint order process in the ED            | In Progress             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changing timelines with CPOE project overall impact ability to implement electronic ordering</li> <li>Modifications to paper order form made to align with existing paper charting</li> <li>A staff engagement process was followed to co-design an update to paper order form which increased staff awareness and buy-in of the issue</li> <li>Patient Engagement Panel engaged to ensure their perspectives were included in the paper chart</li> </ul> |
| Restraint committee and policy                        | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A comprehensive policy was developed and went live in April 2025</li> <li>A review of subsequent safety events highlighted the need for further practice improvements and prompted a review of the policy</li> <li>Significant edits are now being documented by the Least Restraints Working Group</li> <li>The goal is to have an enhanced version of the policy that will be approved June 2026</li> </ul>   |
| Implement TIDES training for Trauma-informed care     | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decision made to move forward with SMG training instead of TIDES</li> <li>Compliance rates with SMG training have improved significantly</li> <li>A review of existing education practices highlighted that standardizing curriculum and clarifying training needs specific to roles and areas is required</li> </ul>   |
| Conduct random audits of restraint events in medicine | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New insights gathered to understand staff perceptions around restraint use</li> <li>Determined that the morning shift had the most orders for restraints</li> </ul>   |

# PATIENT SAFETY

| Indicator Definition                                  | Data Source                  | Baseline | Target | Final |
|---|------------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Number of patient safety incidents reported per month | RL Solutions<br>Jan-Dec 2025 | 292      | 321    | 327   |

| Change Idea  | Progress on Change Idea | Successes and Challenges   |
|--|-------------------------|--|
| Simplify and promote a user-friendly reporting process                   | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced the quick submit forms for credentialed clinicians for ease of reporting</li> <li>Enhanced the skin/tissue form to support accurate reporting of pressure injuries</li> <li>Optimized several areas by standardizing the nomenclature for programs and departments</li> <li>Increased number of near miss and good catch reports (14% over the same period last year)</li> </ul> |
| Utilize RL Data Systems for unit specific dashboards and action tracking | In Progress             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An exploration of RL capabilities was conducted</li> <li>Challenges arose including the finding that RL only allows a limited number of areas per dashboard, which prevented our ability to move forward</li> <li>Plans are being drafted to use alternate systems/methods to create program-specific dashboards</li> </ul>   |
| Introduce and sustain an executive safety walk structure                 | Implemented             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A series of Executive Safety walkarounds were conducted in the Spring/Summer</li> <li>Multiple leadership sessions were held to educate leaders on the value of huddles, rounding and check-ins</li> <li>High Reliability Organization work was commenced and this change idea was placed on hold until it will be implemented as part of this larger strategy</li> </ul>                 |