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Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) A Year in Review

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Continuous Quality Improvement

Building a culture of quality is everyone's responsibility.

What is it?

Continuous Quality Improvement (OQI) is an overarching philosophy that drives ongoing organizational improvements. It encourages us to think about what we can do better and how we can improve our efforts and processes to achieve better outcomes and greater value.

Quality improvement initiatives are the everyday activities that lead to program and service improvements. Some examples of quality improvement methods include lean review, charting audits, process evaluations, and origoing performance monitoring.

What is our goal?

To create a culture of quality and continuous organizational self-improvement that ensures high-quality public health practice and increased satisfaction with our services.

How will we do it?

As an agency, we will:

- ⇒ Strive to be leaders in quality improvement practice
- Develop our skills and build our capacity in quality improvement principles and techniques
- Consider quality improvement in planning and evidence-informed practice
- Ensure that organizational structures are in place to support CQI
- Measure, monitor, and evaluate quality improvement initiatives to demonstrate accountability

Activities will take place organization-wide, within programs and services, in administration and management processes, and at the individual level.

Why is it important?

A CQI approach helps increase the value and performance of the organization. A strong culture of CQI ensures that we are continuously striving for performance improvements and improved client satisfaction.

CQI also encourages transparency and accountability to our clients, the public, and other stakeholders. Boards of Health are mandated to ensure processes are in place to support organizational effectiveness and continuous self-improvement.

Who is involved?

Everyone has a role to play including:

- → Board of Health
- ⇒ Public Health staff
- → Clients
- → Partners
- → Public
 → Stekeholders

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- What is our goal?
- Help foster a culture of quality and continuous organizational selfimprovement
- Provide direction for the implementation of quality improvement methods
- Encourage transparency and accountability for improvements
- Increase the value and performance of the organization

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Leadership O

Accountability O

Planning O

Capacity and Skill Development O

Organizational Structure O



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Our 8 Client Service Standards

We will...



Respond to telephone, email, or social media requests within one business day. Our responses or automated messages tell clients when they can expect to get a reply. 5

Make sure that the locations where we offer services are accessible, welcoming, and respectful so that everyone has an opportunity to use and benefit from our services.



Strive to have services in French available, offered, accessible, and visible.



Strive to respond to requests from our communities, partners, or clients and to tailor our services as possible.



Offer our services respectfully to every client, recognizing the diversity of communities (for example, age, education, race, ethnicity, income, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or ability).



Make sure that all information and services provided to our communities use the best available evidence and strive for continuous improvement and ongoing learning.

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Make sure that our approaches and environments are culturally appropriate, safe, and inclusive.



Protect our client's privacy and keep their information safe and secure.

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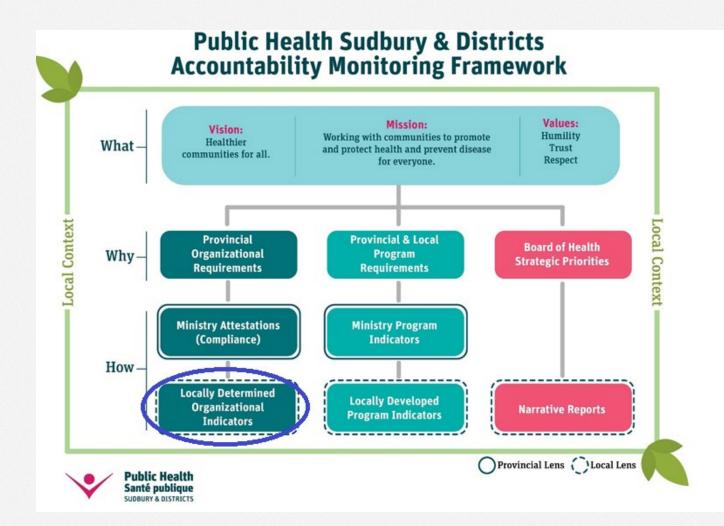
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