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1. Background

1.1. Introduction to the Technical Report

The Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (ICES) entered into a contract with Ontario Health Quality Council (OHQC) in 2007 to work in collaboration with OHQC to identify a set of indicators that could be used in OHQC reports and to provide the OHQC with data on those indicators. This year, in conjunction with OHQC partners, we present the 2008 Report on Ontario's Health System (from here on referred to as the 2008 Report) and an accompanying Technical Report.

The purpose for writing a Technical Report is to provide public access on details of the process used to generate the data on the indicators included in the 2008 Report. These details make the measurement process more transparent and can serve as the basis for efforts by other groups to replicate the measures presented in the 2008 Report. Further details on the process and methods used to select the final set of indicators can be obtained by contacting the OHQC.

The indicator results presented in the 2008 Report came from two sources. The first source was indicators that ICES obtained from public documents or that ICES requested from other organizations. The second source of indicator results were indicators that were calculated by ICES staff using data sets housed at ICES.

The body of the Technical Report is divided into three sections. Section 2 provides an overview of the new indicators in this years report, describes this year's focus of the equity section of the report and explains how LHIN-level analyses were conducted. Section 3 provides details on the indicators obtained from various data sources outside of ICES and is divided into subsections that describe indicators from each of the different data sources. Section 4 provides detail on the indicator data generated by ICES and is divided into subsections according to each of the nine OHQC attributes for a high performing health care system.

2. Overview of Indicators Selected for 2008 Report on Ontario's Health System

2.1. New indicators

The indicators included in each Report are selected through a consultative process between ICES and the OHQC with significant advice from the OHQC's Performance Measurement Advisory Board (PMAB). Indicator selection is guided by both the availability of indicators and the availability of high quality and timely Ontario data sets that reflect important aspects of the OHQC's nine attributes of a high performing health system. In line with quality improvement practices, the process strives to increase the relevancy, accuracy, coverage and comprehensiveness of the indicator data presented each year. This means that from one year to the next new indicators will be added to the report while other indicators are dropped. A number of changes will be noted in comparing the 2008 Report to last year's report.





The 2008 Report includes many new indicators that have been made available from new data sources. These new data sources include the Commonwealth Fund Surveys, the Hospital Reports Research Collaborative Reports and the MOHLTC Health Human Resource (HHR) Strategy Division HHR supply data. In addition, ICES calculated almost 20 new measures in the 2008 Report using existing administrative datasets. The new indicators help contribute to a comprehensive and balanced assessment across the nine attributes of a high performing health system.

Plans are underway to improve on the content for the 2009 Report. Of particular note, the Commonwealth Fund will be conducting the 2008 International Health Policy Survey of the General Public's Views of their Health Care System's Performance in Seven Countries with an expanded Ontario survey sample. The larger sample size will be useful for conducting statistical analyses with greater confidence and improving the representativeness of the results. ICES will continue to work with the OHQC and the PMAB to find new ways to measure integration, safety and healthy workplaces for health practitioners and to work on and advocate for better data sources across the continuum of care.

2.2. Urban/rural focus on equity

The OHQC believes that a high performing health care system should be equitable – that people should get the same quality of care regardless of who they are and where they live. Each year the OHQC selects one socio-demographic characteristic that becomes the focus for the Report's analysis of how equitable care is in Ontario. In 2007 the equity focus was on aboriginal and immigrant populations. This year the report presents comparative data on quality of care received by people who live in rural versus urban areas in Ontario.

There are different ways to define what a rural area is. The OHQC Report 2008 used a definition of rurality that was developed by the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) called the Rurality Index for Ontario (RIO). The index summarizes a range of variables related to the accessibility to medical care to create a value between 0 and 1 for every census sub-division1. The government uses the cut-off of point of 0.45 or above on the RIO to identify rural areas to target for special physician access initiatives. The OHQC Report 2008 also uses 0.45 and above to define rural areas. Additional details on how the RIO score is constructed can be obtained from the October 2000 issue of the Ontario Medical Review.

Rates for individuals living in urban and rural parts of the province were calculated for a set of indicators that measured quality of care:

- Proportion of Ontario population (18 years and older) who have a regular medical doctor by rural/urban residence, 2007
- Proportion of Ontario population (18 years and older) with a chronic disease who have a regular medical doctor by rural/urban residence, 2007
- Adjusted rates of cataract surgery by rural/urban residence, per 100,000 population, 2002/03 to 2006/07
- Adjusted rates of CT scans by rural/urban residence, per 100,000 population, 2002/03 to 2006/07
- Adjusted rates of hip replacement by rural/urban residence, per 100,000 Population, 2002/03 to 2006/07





- Adjusted rates of death per 100 patients newly diagnosed with congestive heart failure by rural/urban residence in Ontario, 2002/03 to 2005/06
- Rates of at least one inappropriate prescription per 100 seniors in the community by rural/urban residence, per 100,000 Population, 2002/03 to 2006/07
- Proportion of Ontario population (aged 18 years and older) satisfied with their care when sick by rural/urban residence, 2007

Postal code information from the databases used to create the indicators was linked to census data at the census sub-division to determine if the individual was a resident of an urban or rural area as defined by the RIO score of 0.45 or greater. The denominator for calculating rates was estimated using information from the Registered Persons Database (RPDB).

2.3. Local Health Integration Network-level analyses and other stratifications

LHIN-level stratifications are presented for selected indicator data where the results at the LHIN-level contribute either important or new information. The approach used to calculate LHIN-level results varies by indicator and depends on the databases used in the analysis. In some cases the individual samples within the database have a LHIN assignment so no other coding is necessary. In other cases, the individual samples are linked by health card numbers to the Register Persons Database to acquire their LHIN assignment2. The statistical program codes and variable names used to conduct these analyses are pre-written 'macros' codes that are specific to ICES and are therefore not detailed in this technical report. Contact the OHQC if you wish to learn more about how LHIN-level and other stratifications were conducted in the 2008 Report.

Indicators from Sources Outside of ICES

This section lists and describes the data sources for indicators calculated by sources other than ICES. Each data source is briefly described and provides links to additional information. In addition, the indicators drawn from each data source are listed in a table at the end of each description so that it is clear to the reader which indicators in the 2008 Report were drawn from each data source.

3.1. Commonwealth Fund and the Health Council of Canada

The Commonwealth Fund 2007 International Health Policy Survey of the general public's views of their health care system's performance in seven countries was sponsored by the Commonwealth Fund based in New York, USA. Funding for the Canadian sample was provided by the Health Council of Canada; the Dutch sample by The Dutch Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport and The Centre for Quality of Care Research (WOK), Radboud University Nijmegen; and the German sample by the German Institute for Quality and Efficiency in Health Care. Harris Interactive was the survey sponsor and overseer of the telephone survey in all countries. Further details can be found from the Commonwealth Fund publication called Toward Higher-Performance Health Systems: Adults' Health Care Experiences in Seven Countries, 2007, November 1, 2007; Volume 92 or by reviewing the technical documentation online at: http://www.commonwealthfund.org/surveys/surveys_show.htm?doc_id=568326.

Nine indicators in the report were drawn from the Commonwealth Fund 2007 International Health Policy Survey. Country-level indicator results were weighted to provide a true population





estimate. Ontario-level indicators results were not weighted however respondents in the sample had a similar to the Ontario population.

Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
	Percentage of adults who have a regular doctor or place of care, in Ontario and by country, 2007	
	Percentage of adults who could get a doctor's appointment the same or next day the last time they were sick or needed medical attention, in Ontario and by country, 2007	
Accessible	Percentage of the population who visited emergency and say they waited two hours or more for treatment after arrival, in Ontario and by country, 2007	Health Council of Canada,
	Percentage of adults who have a regular doctor or place of care who can communicate with this health care provider by email, in Ontario and by country, 2007	2007. Commonwealth Fund 2007 International Health Policy Survey of the
	Percentage of adults who called a telephone help line for medical or health advice in the past 12 months, in Ontario and by country, 2007	
	Percentage of adults who have a regular doctor or place or care who rate the over quality of medical care they received in the past 12 months as excellent or very good, in Ontario and by country, 2007	General Public's Views of their Health Care System's
Patient-	Percentage of adults who have a regular doctor or place of care who said this provider always explains things in a way they can understand, in Ontario and by country, 2007	Performance in Seven Countries
centered	Percentage of adults who have a regular doctor or place of care who said this provider always tells them about treatment options and involves them in decisions about the best treatment, in Ontario and by country, 2007	
	Percentage of adults who have a regular doctor or place of care who said this provider spent enough time with them, in Ontario and by country, 2007	

3.2. Wait Time Information System

The Ontario Wait Time Information System (WTIS) is a program of the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) and was the data source for all wait times related data on the Ontario government's five priority wait times surgeries and procedures. Wait time calculations are based on closed cases submitted by hospitals through the WTIS or through the upload tool. The upload tool is an interim system of sending data from hospitals not yet integrated with WTIS. Up to date wait time data can be found at www.ontariowaittimes.ca. Full details of the wait time data collection methodology including definitions, calculations, data sources, comprehensiveness (inclusion and exclusion criteria), limitations, comparisons, data quality and privacy considerations can be found online at:

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/transformation/wait_times/providers/wt_data.html. The indicator data on wait times by time period were provided to ICES by request.





Data for the following 90th percentile wait times indicators was produced by the Wait Times Information Office:

Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
Accessible	90th Percentile wait times for cancer surgeries in Ontario, August/September, 2005 – December, 2007 90th Percentile wait times for angiography and angioplasty in Ontario, August/September, 2005 – December, 2007 90th Percentile wait time for cardiac bypass surgeries in Ontario, August/September, 2005 – December, 2007 90th Percentile wait time for hip and knee replacement and cataract surgeries in Ontario, August/September, 2005 – December, 2007 90th Percentile wait times for MRI and CT scans in Ontario, August/September, 2005-December, 2007	WTIS

3.3. Ontario Telemedicine Network

The Ontario Telemedicine Network (OTN) is one of the busiest and most comprehensive telemedicine programs in Canada. Using advanced information and communication technologies and electronic medical devices, OTN supports the delivery of clinical care, professional education and health-related administrative services to more than 440 sites across the province. OTN is an independent, not-for-profit organization funded by the MOHLTC. More detailed information can be found at www.otn.ca. OTN provided ICES with the indicator data included in the report.

OTN collects a broad range of data on volumes of telemedicine communication events. The core measure on clinical encounters is what was included in the 2008 Report:

Indicator	Data Source
Use of telemedicine for patient consultations across Ontario,	OTN, MOHLTC
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3.4. 2007 Health Indicators: Canadian Institute for Health Information

Each year CIHI publishes the Health Indicators report with the results of a standard set of indicators from across the provinces to compare health status and health system performance. The final set of indicators is decided at a national consensus conference. The rationale, definitions, statistical model specification and data sources for all indicators can be found online at http://www.icis.ca/cihiweb/dispPage.jsp?cw_page=tech_notes_e or by searching the CIHI website for the 2007 Health Indicators Technical Notes.





The 2007 Health Indicators report indicators that were presented in the 2008 Report are listed in the table.

Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
Effective	Adjusted in-hospital rate of death within 30 days per 100 patients admitted for heart attack, by province, 2004 Adjusted in-hospital rate of death within 30 days per 100 patients admitted for stroke by province, 2004	2007 Health Indicators: CIHI

Both measures were calculated using the Discharge Abstract Database and the Hospital Morbidity Database both housed at CIHI. The results were risk-adjusted using an approach described in the technical notes.

3.5. Hospital Reports Research Collaborative 2005-2007

Since 1999, the Hospital Reports Research Collaborative has produced a series of reports on the performance of Ontario's hospitals and other sectors within the health care system. Performance is assessed on a range of topics including clinical utilization and outcomes, financial performance, patient satisfaction and system integration and change. This report draws on the research conducted in acute care and the emergency department and presents composite indicator data results from the patient satisfaction survey as well as summary scores on use of information technology from the system integration and change reports.

The patient satisfaction analysis resulted from the combined efforts of about 90 participating Ontario hospital corporations, the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), the National Research Corporation (NRC+Picker Canada), The University of Toronto, and the CIHI. The acute care and emergency department reports employed a modified version of the Picker Acute Care Survey, which has been used extensively in the United States and Europe. The Picker Acute Care Survey was modified, pilot tested and validated for a Canadian population.

Sampling plans varied according to each participating Ontario acute care centre and hospital emergency department. Of those patients invited to respond to the survey each year, between 32-48% agreed to participate by responding to the survey. Each year the participating sample had at least 20,000 individuals. Survey questions were combined to build the three composite measures presented in the 2008 Report: communication, consideration and responsiveness. Full technical details regarding the survey questions, sampling techniques, sample sizes, inclusion/exclusion criteria, weighting and survey process are available online:

Acute Care: Patient Satisfaction

2007: http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2007/AC/2007 AC patsat techreport.pdf
2006: http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2006/AC/2006 AC ps_techreport.pdf
2005: http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2005/EDC/2005 ED PatSat TechReport.pdf

Emergency Department: Patient Satisfaction

2007: http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2007/EDC/2007 http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2005/EDC/2005 <a href="http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2005/EDC/2005/EDC/2005/EDC/2005/EDC/2005/EDC/2005/EDC/2005/EDC/2005/EDC/





The use of clinical information technology indicator was constructed to reflect the degree to which clinical information is available electronically to care providers inside and outside of the organization. The survey was sent to approximately 123 participating Ontario hospitals and the response rate over the three years presented was approximately 85%. Hospitals were asked to complete one survey for the entire institution.

These survey questions are self-reported by hospital administrators and may be subject to social-desirability bias. To counteract this bias, an effort was made to construct survey questions that focused on specific behaviours rather than attitudes. CIHI analysts performed data quality checks on the completed surveys to ensure that all mandatory questions were answered and that skip logic, validation and question masking were performed correctly by the online survey. Full technical details describing the survey design, administration, analytical approach and data quality is available online:

Acute Care: System Integration and Change

2007: http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2007/AC/2007 AC sic technotes.pdf
2006: http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2006/AC/2006 AC sic technotes.pdf
2005: http://www.hospitalreport.ca/downloads/2005/AC/AC_SIC_TechReport_FINAL.pdf

The following Hospital Reports measures were used in this report:

Attribute Indicator		Data Source	
Patient-centered	Patient satisfaction and patient experience score for acute care in Ontario, 2003/04 to 2005/06 Patient satisfaction and patient experience score for emergency departments in Ontario, 2003/04 to 2005/06	Hospital Reports Research Collaborative. Hospital Reports 2005: Acute Care Patient Satisfaction Technical Summary; Hospital Reports 2006: Acute Care Patient Satisfaction Technical Summary; Hospital Reports 2007: Acute Care Patient Satisfaction Technical Summary. Hospital Reports Research Collaborative. Hospital Reports 2005: Emergency Department Care, Hospital Reports 2007: Emergency Department Care.	
Appropriately Resourced	Score of selected Ontario acute- care hospitals on their use of information technology by type of hospital, 2005 to 2007	Hospital Report Research Collaborative. Hospital Report 2005: Acute Care System Integration and Change Technical Summary; Hospital Report 2006: Acute Care System Integration and Change Technical Summary; Hospital Report 2007: Acute Care System Integration and Change Tech. Summary	
Integration	Percent of Ontario patients leaving emergency or acute inpatient care who knew whom to contact if they needed care or had questions, 2004/05 to 2005/06	Hospital Reports Research Collaborative. Hospital Reports 2007: Acute Care Patient Satisfaction Technical Summary; Hospital Reports 2007: Emergency Department Patient Satisfaction Technical Summary3	





3.6. National Health Expenditure Database: Canadian Institute for Health Information

The National Health Expenditure database (NHEX) provides an overview of all health spending in Canada, by spending category and source of funding. Data are extracted from diverse public documents, including national and provincial/territorial public accounts and other financial reports. Other sources include private insurance companies, AC Nielsen Canada and Statistics Canada. CIHI strives to ensure that the quality of the information in their data holdings is suited to its intended uses, and that data users are provided good information about data quality. Full technical details for the report are available online at:

http://www.icis.ca/cihiweb/dispPage.jsp?cw_page=spend_nhex_e.

The following indicator data were drawn from the NHEX and included in the report:

Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
	Total health expenditure as a percentage of gross domestic product by province, 1997, 2002 and 2007	Canadian Institute for Health
Appropriately Resourced	Percentage of total health expenditure funded by the Ontario government in 1997 constant dollars, 1997 - 2007	Information, 2007. National Health
	Percentage distribution of Ontario government health spending by use, 1997 and 2007	Expenditure Trends, 1975- 2007

3.7. Health Human Resources Strategy Division of the MOHLTC

The Health Human Resources Strategy Division of the MOHLTC determined the number of first year student placements for different health professionals. Analysts solicited the most recent data from the Ministry's own databases, universities and health care professional associations. The following table lists the specific professionals included in the 2008 Report and their associated data sources:

Attribute	Indicator	Data Source	
Appropriately Resourced	Number of places for first-year students in Ontario, 2005/06 and 2007/08:		
	Undergraduate medical students	Physician Planning Unit, HHRPB,	
	Training and assessment opportunities for international trained medical graduates	Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, 2007	
	Register nurses (RN)	Register Nurses' Association of Ontario, 2006/07	
	Nurse practitioners (NP)	Public Announcement,	





Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
		Ministry of Health
		and Long-Term Care,
		2007
		University of
	Pharmacists	Waterloo and
		University of Toronto
		Public
		Announcement,
	Midwives	Ministry of Health
		and Long-Term Care,
		2007

3.8. Ontario Health System Scorecard

The Ontario Health System Scorecard (OHSS) was developed by the Health System Strategy Division within the MOHLTC. It is a performance management tool that can be used to measure and guide strategic health system performance improvement initiatives. The Scorecard contains 30 performance indicators that measure the performance of the system against 14 strategic objectives. Indicator results were based on data sets from various databases and several different contributors conducted the statistical analyses. Full technical details are available from the OHQC upon request.

Three measures presented in this report were drawn from the work published in the OHSS:

Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
Appropriately Resourced	Supply of primary care physicians and primary care nurse practitioners per 100,000 population, Ontario, 2000-2006 Information systems and communications spending as a percentage of total net Ontario government health care spending, by Local Health Integration Network in 2006/07 and by year from 2003/04 to 2006/07	Ontario Health System Scorecard 2007/08, MOHLTC

3.9. Cancer System Quality Index 2007

Cancer Care Ontario (CCO) is an agency of the MOHLTC and is responsible for continually improving cancer services. The Cancer Quality Council of Ontario (CQCO) is an advisory group that works with the CCO to monitor and publicly report on the performance of the cancer system and provide advice on planning and strategic priorities. Each year the two groups publish the Cancer System Quality Index (CSQI).

The CSQI is a system-wide monitor that tracks the quality and consistency of key services delivered across Ontario's cancer system - from prevention to end-of-life care. There are approximately 30 indicators in the index. Details on targets, rationale, interpretation, and technical aspects of the measure such as definitions and data quality comments can be found online at: http://www.cancercare.on.ca/qualityindex2007/index.html.





Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
Focused on Population Health	Percentage of eligible women (age 50-69 years) who had a mammogram in 2004/05 Percentage of eligible people (age 50-74) receiving one fecal occult blood test within the previous two years, in 2002/03 and 2004/05	CSQI 2007

3.10. Health Reports: Statistics Canada

Statistics Canada's publication Health Reports covers a wide range of important health sector issues in a peer reviewed quarterly journal. The following measure was referenced from Kwong JC, Rosella LC & Johansen H. Trends in influenza vaccination in Canada, 1996/1997 to 2005. Statistics Canada Health Reports. November 2007; 18 (4).

Attribute	Indicator	Data Source
Focused on Population Health	Percent of the elderly population and the population with a chronic disease who got a flu vaccination, by province, 2005	Kwong JC, Rosella LC & Johansen H. Trends in influenza vaccination in Canada, 1996/1997 to 2005. Statistics Canada Health Reports. November 2007; 18 (4)

4. Indicators Calculated by ICES

4.1. Overview of the process for producing indicator data

The basic process for producing indicator data by ICES for the 2008 Report involves developing a set of decision rules for calculating the numerator and denominators for an indicator. These decision rules are used to generate a computer program in a software language called SAS. ICES uses a structured format called an indicator dataset creation plan (IDCP) to describe the decision rules. The IDCP is used by ICES staff to create a SAS program. The SAS program is then used to analyze a defined data set.

An IDCP identifies the ICES databases used to generate the indicator data and then describes how both the numerator and denominator for the rate are calculated including information on the exclusions and time frames. It then provides information on the crude rate for that indicator as well as any methods that were used to standardize the rate. The IDCP goes on to provide a detailed description of each of the variables used to create the indicator. This report provides an IDCP for each indicator calculated by ICES. The SAS code for each indicator includes complex variable names and software macros that are specific to ICES. Individuals interested in seeing the SAS code produced from the IDCP should contact the OHQC. As part of the process for verifying the data in the 2008 Report, two analysts independently checked the SAS code to ensure that it was consistent with the decision rules laid out in the IDCP.





4.2. Data sources

A wide range of data sources was used to create the indicator data presented in the 2008 Report. The data sources used for each indicator are listed in each IDCP. A brief glossary for these data sources is provided below. Data from many of the data sources can be linked using unique identifiers.

Registered Persons Data Base (RPDB)

The RPDB provides basic demographic information about anyone who has ever received an Ontario health card number. Data supplied to ICES by MOHLTC is enriched with information from other ICES data sets.

Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP)

Claims for fee-for-service physician services are paid through OHIP. These claims provide information on the type of service provided. Approximately 94% of Ontario physicians have a fee for service practice. Some of the alternate funding plans use shadow billing (that is, a record for the service appears in the OHIP database, although the fee paid may be shown as \$0.00). The data is supplied to ICES by the MOHLTC.

Ontario Drug Benefit (ODB) plan

Each time a prescription is dispensed under the ODB program a claim is submitted to the ODB for payment. This claim contains information on the drug dispensed. The ODB data used in the report were limited to claims for individuals 65 years of age and over. The data is supplied to ICES by the MOHLTC.

Discharge Abstract Databases (DAD)

The DAD is a data collection tool developed by CIHI to collect information on patients treated in acute care hospitals. Each time an individual is discharged from an acute care hospital the hospital submits to CIHI an electronic record that contains patient demographic, diagnostic and treatment data. The DAD is supplied to ICES by CIHI.

National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRS)

NACRS is a data collection tool developed by CIHI to capture information on patient visits to emergency departments. The NACRS data used in this report are collected on a routine basis by all emergency departments (ED) in Ontario. NACRS is supplied to ICES by CIHI.

National Rehabilitation Reporting System (NRS)

The NRS is a data source developed by CIHI. It contains client data collected from participating adult inpatient rehabilitation facilities and programs across Ontario, Canada. The data is supplied to ICES by CIHI.

Ontario Diabetes Database (ODD)

The ODD contains all Ontario diabetic patients identified since 1991. A patient is said to be diabetic if s/he had one hospital admission with a diabetes diagnosis recorded on the DAD or an OHIP claims with a diabetes diagnosis followed within two years by either an OHIP claim or a hospital admission with a diabetes diagnosis. The entire ODD is re-created yearly using updated OHIP, CIHI, and RPDB data.





Cardiac Care Network (CCN)

The CCN database is a computerized registry of all cardiac surgery patients province-wide. This database serves as a waiting list management system, which is used to facilitate and monitor access to cardiac surgery. CCN includes all 12 hospitals in Ontario that perform adult cardiac catheterization and surgery and is funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. A patient is added to the list when s/he is referred for cardiac surgery; and removed from the list at the time of surgery, death, or a decision not to pursue surgery. Most of the data elements are coded by CCN's nurse coordinator at each hospital site. Some variables are computed by CCN's data gathering program; and a few (such as waiting time) are computed at ICES. ICES receives registry data from CCN on an annual basis.

Ontario Myocardial Infarction Database (OMID)

The Ontario Myocardial Infarction Database (OMID) is a database of patients hospitalized with a diagnosis of acute myocardial infarction (AMI) in Ontario between 1992 and 2006. It was created by linking together the following healthcare administrative databases: DAD, OHIP, ODB and RPDB. The OMID database contains information on demographic and clinical characteristics, outcomes, and health services used by patients hospitalized with an AMI. OMID was created by and is housed at ICES.

CHF Cohort

The CHF cohort is a database of all Ontarians diagnosed with CHF between 1994 and 2006 and includes both prevalent and incident cases. People with CHF were identified using data from three administrative databases: the OHIP database of physician billings, the DAD of inpatient records and the NACRS emergency department records. A person was identified as having CHF if they had an inpatient record with a diagnosis of CHF or if they had an OHIP billing or NACRS record with a CHF diagnosis followed by a second record (from any source) with a CHF diagnosis within 2 years. In the latter case, the diagnosis date is set to the date of the first CHF record. The CHF cohort was created by and is housed at ICES.

Statistics Canada Post-Censal Population Files

Statistics related to population size by sex, age and geographic area are collected in the census every four years by Statistics Canada. The latest post-censal population files are from 2001 and all estimates are of the population on July 1 of the given year. The data is supplied to ICES by Statistics Canada.

Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS)

The CCHS is a national cross-sectional survey, conducted by Statistics Canada. The CCHS collects information related to health status, health care utilization and health determinants for the Canadian population. The target population of the CCHS includes household residents in all provinces and territories with the principal exclusion of populations on Indian Reserves, Canadian Forces Bases, in institutions and some remote areas.

Primary Care Access Survey (PCAS)

The PCAS is a cross-sectional voluntary telephone survey funded by the MOHLTC and conducted every three months by the Institute for Social Research (ISR) at York University. The





survey is administered in both English and French. The survey began in January 2006. The long-term goal of PCAS is to put in place a program to measure, on an ongoing basis, access to family doctors in Ontario. Measuring access includes determining the number of people in Ontario who do not have a regular family doctor, along with their experiences in attaining care and their health and socio-demographic characteristics. Respondents are asked about their primary care needs, providers of care (regular/family doctor or another provider), how long they waited for care, and the extent to which they were satisfied with the care they received. Data collection is conducted on a quarterly basis.

4.3. Indicator data set creation plans for ICES Indicators Organized by indicator sections from the report:

2.1 Accessible

2.1.2 Gateway to healthcare — access to a family doctor

The below indicator is not presented in a table format in the report but rather in the text.

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Indicator title	Proportion of Ontario population (18+ years) who have a regular medical doctor, 2007			
Data sources (for	PCAS	PCAS		
descriptions see secti	on 4.2)			
The Indicator:				
Denominator (popula description	tion) All respondents aged 18	All respondents aged 18 or above		
Numerator (Subset of denominat restricted as follows:	or	Population with a regular medical doctor		
Rates:				
Crude Rate Calculation	on Crude Rate(s) by:	Ontario overall		
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100		
Details of Variables:				
Variable	Definition			
Age	AGE_2			
Sex	RGENDER: 1 = male, 5 = female			
Having a regular medical doctor	FAMDOC: 1 = yes			





2.1.3 The waiting game — access to specialized services

Indicator title	Percentage change in the adjust from baseline 2002/03 to 2006/	red rates of cancer surgery in Ontario		
Data sources (for	DAD	07		
descriptions see section 4.2				
descriptions see section 1.2	Post-Censal Population Estimates			
The Indicator:	p our commit opinimion zonimi			
Denominator (population)	Annual Ontario population from 2002 to 2006			
description				
	Exclude:			
	Age $< 40 \text{ or} > 105$			
Numerator		d procedure plus a diagnosis code for		
(Subset of denominator;	the relevant cancer:			
restricted as follows:)	hysterectomy for cancer			
	mastectomy			
	radical prostatectomy			
	large bowel resection			
	Exclude:			
	Health card number invalid or cannot be matched to RPDB			
	not Ontario resident			
	if date of birth/sex missing, or if sex is not appropriate for the			
	procedure (hysterectomy and mastectomy for females only,			
	prostatectomy for males, bowel resection is both sexes)			
	Endoscopic Surgery for Bowel			
	Surgery for non-cancer diagnosis			
	Multiple procedures on one day	Aultiple procedures on one day (e.g. count once if a patient received		
	a bowel resection twice on a day).			
	Include:			
	Procedures which are abandoned after onset			
	Duplicates per person, since a p	person may have more than one of		
	(some) of these procedures			
Rates:				
Standardized Rate	Method:	Direct		
Calculation				
	Standard population:	Ontario population 2001 aged 40+		
	Standardized by:	Age and Sex.		
		Age groups are 40-64, 65-74, 75-		
		84, and 85+		
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006		
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100,000		





Details of Variable	es:				
Variable	Definition				
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age calculated at the admission date from DAD.				
Sex	Get the patient's	sex from RP	DB		
Invalid IKN or non-Ontario resident Fiscal year of	VALIKN ≠ V The fiscal year of procedure performed is defined as follows:				
procedure	The fiscal year of	procedure p	critifica is acrifice	1 as 10.	nows.
performed	Discharge date of the admission in which the selected procedure was performed Fiscal year				
	April 2002 to M			2002	
	April 2003 to M			2003	
	April 2004 to M April 2005 to M			2004	
	April 2005 to M			2003	
	April 2000 to W	iaicii 2007		2000	,
Procedure for	CCI codes for the	procedures	of interest are:		
cancer	Procedure	CCI codes	Exclusions		Cancer Diagnosis
	Hysterectomy for cancer	1RM89 1RM91	NO exclusion for abandoned proced NO exclusion for elective admission Limit to one proced	non- n edure	dxcode1-25 all dxtypes C53, C54, C55, C56
	Mastectomy	1YM89 1YM90 1YM91 1YM92	NO exclusion for abandoned proced NO exclusion for elective admission	lure; non-	dxcode1-25 all dxtypes C50
	Radical prostatectomy	1QT91	per patient per day NO exclusion for abandoned proced NO exclusion for elective admission Limit to one proced	lure; non- n	dxcode1-25 all dxtypes C61
	Large bowel resection	1NM87 1NM89 1NM91	NO exclusion for abandoned proced NO exclusion for	lure;	dxcode1-25 all dxtypes C18, C19,





Details of Variable	es:			
_Variable	Definition			
		1NQ87 1NQ89 1NQ90	elective admission Limit to one procedure per patient per day Exclude: endoscopic for bowel excision (1NM87BA 1NQ87BA)	C20, C21

Indicator title		justed rates of cardiac surgeries in
Data sources (for	Ontario from baseline 2002.	03 to 2006/07
descriptions see section 4.2		
descriptions see section 4.2	Post-Censal Population Estimates	
The Indicator:	Tool Consul Topulation Est	THAT CO
Denominator (population)	Annual Ontario population	from 2002 to 2006
description	7 milair Ontario population	110111 2002 to 2000
description	Exclude:	
	Age $< 20 \text{ or } > 105$	
Numerator	Individuals receiving cardia	c procedures of interest:
(Subset of denominator;	cardiac angiography	r
restricted as follows:)	coronary angioplasty (PTC	A)
,	coronary artery bypass graf	,
		oronary angioplasty or CABG)
	·	
	Exclude: invalid health card number	
	not Ontario resident	
Rates:		
Standardized Rate	Method:	Direct
Calculation		
	Standard population:	Ontario population 2001 aged 20+
	Standardized by:	Age and Sex.
		Age groups are 20-39, 40-64, 65-74, and 75+
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006





	Unit of Rat	te(s) per:	100,000
Details of Variables:			
Variable	Definition		
Age		n RPDB. Age at the pr	ocedure date (variable
J	REMOVDAT) from CCN.		
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Non-Ontario	Get the patient's	resident's status from F	RPDB
resident			
Fiscal year of		vent is recorded in the I	
procedure	The fiscal year of	f procedure performed i	s defined as follows:
performed	DEMONDAT		D: 1
	REMOVDAT	. 1.0000	Fiscal year
	April 2002 to M		2002/03
	April 2003 to M		2003/04
	April 2004 to M		2004/05
	April 2005 to M		2005/06
C 1: 1	April 2006 to March 2007 2006/07		2006/07
Cardiac procedure		cedures of interest are:	
	Procedure	REMOVTYP	(A CD)
	CABG	1 aortocoronary bypa:	ss (ACB)
	Angioplasty	20 PTCA	
		21 PTCA with Stent 22 Adhoc PTCA	
		23 Adhoc PTCA with	Stant
	Angiography	30 Catheterization	Stent
	7 mgiography		ological study) with cath
		(originally EPS with	
		` •	w) with EPS with Cath
		63 Ablation no EPS v	· ·
		71 Biopsy with Cath	(Used to be Biopsy with LHC)
		27 Valvuloplasty (see	below), valvotomy
		28 Other PCI Procedu	ıre
		22 Adhoc PTCA	
		23 Adhoc PTCA with	
	Cardiac	1 aortocoronary bypas	ss (ACB))
	revasculari-	20 PTCA	
	zation	21 PTCA with Stent	
	(coronary	22 Adhoc PTCA 23 Adhoc PTCA with	Stant
	angioplasty or CABG)	23 Aunoc PTCA With	Stent





Indicator title	Percentage change in the ad Ontario from baseline 2002	justed rates of joint replacement in /03 to 2006/07	
Data sources (for	DAD		
descriptions see section 4.2	2) RPDB		
•	Post-Censal Population Est	imates	
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	Annual Ontario population from 2002 to 2006		
1	Exclude:		
	Age $< 20 \text{ or} > 105$		
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	CIHI inpatient discharge records in which either a hip or knee ominator; replacement was performed.		
	if the hip/knee replacement was a revision procedure Non-elective hospital admission		
	entry from emergency	551011	
	cancer diagnosis		
	Injury diagnosis		
	External cause of injury		
Rates:	<u>,</u>		
Standardized Rate	Method:	Direct	
Calculation			
	Standard population:	Ontario population 2001 aged 20+	
	Standardized by:	Sex and Age Age groups are 20-64, 65-74, 75- 84, and 85+.	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100,000	
Details of Variables:			
Variable	Definition		
Age		ge at the admission date from DAD.	
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Invalid IKN	VALIKN ≠ V		
Non-Ontario resident	First 2 characters of RESCODE between 01 and 50, and not equal to		
Tion onemio resident	22.		





Details of Variables:	
_Variable	Definition
Revision procedure	Variables INATSTAT[1-20] = R
Non-elective admission	Variable ADMCAT \neq L
Entry from emergency	Variable ENTRY = E
Cancer	C40.2, C40.3, C40.8, C40.9, C79.5, all dxtypes
Injury	S32.4, S72.x, S82.0, S82.1, S82.2, S82.4, S82.7, S82.9, all dxtypes
External cause of injury	V01.x – V99.x, W00.x – W19.x
Hip replacement	CCI codes: 1.VA.53.LA-PN or 1.VA.53.PN-PN
	Note: Bilateral procedures are counted only once
Knee replacement	CCI codes: 1.VG.53
	Note: Bilateral procedures are counted only once

Indicator title	Percentage change in the adjusted Ontario from baseline 2002/03 to	
Data sources (for descriptions see section 4.2)	OHIP	
The Indicator:		
Denominator (population) description	Annual Ontario population from 2002 to 2006	
	Exclude: Age < 20 or > 105	
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	OHIP claim for cataract surgery in the fiscal years 2002/03 to 2006/07.	
	Exclude: invalid health card number not Ontario resident date of birth/sex missing if the OHIP record with variable T NUMSERV = '00' duplicate surgery on the same day done on one day Include: When reporting overall Ontario ra assigned.	
Rates:		
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:	Direct





	Standard population:	Ontario population 2001 aged 20+
	0, 1, 1, 11	G 1A
	Standardized by:	Sex and Age
		Age groups are 20-64, 65-74, 75-84, and 85+.
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100,000
Details of Variables:		

Variable	Definition			
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the admission date from OHIP.			
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Invalid IKN or	VALIKN ≠ V			
non-Ontario				
resident				
Fiscal year of	The fiscal year of procedure performed is	s defined as follows:		
procedure				
performed	Surgery date (SERVDATE)	Fiscal year		
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002		
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003		
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004		
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005		
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006		
Cataract surgery	OHIP FEECODE E140			

Indicator title	Percentage change in the adjusted rates of diagnostic scans in Ontario from baseline 2002/03 to 2006/07	
Data sources (for descriptions see section 4.2)	OHIP RPDB Post-Censal Population Estimates	
The Indicator:		
Denominator (population) description	Annual Ontario population from 2002 to 2006: Exclude: Age > 105	
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	OHIP claim for CT/MRI scan in the fiscal years 2002/03 to 2006/07. Exclude: invalid health card number not Ontario resident date of birth/sex missing the OHIP record with variable TOTPAID = 0 and NUMSERV = 00'	





	Include: Only one record per type of scan per body part per day since a person may have more than one body part scanned in the same day and/or may have both an MRI and a CT scan in the same day		
Rates:			
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:	Direct	
	Standard population:	Ontario population 2001	
	Standardized by:	Sex and Age Age groups are 0-39, 40-64, 65- 74, 75+.	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100,000	
Details of Variable	s:		
Variable	Definition		
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at	the admission date from OHIP.	
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Invalid IKN or non-Ontario resident	VALIKN ≠ V		
Fiscal year of procedure	The fiscal year of procedure performed is defined as follows:		
performed	Scan date (SERVDATE)	Fiscal year	
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002	
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003	
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004	
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005	
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006	





_Variable	Definition				
MRI			I		
	Body part	FEECODE	Exclusions	Inclusions	Note
	abdomen	X451	count only	use pro-	Inpatient
	extremities	X471,	one "body	fessional	MRI
		X488	part	component	scans are
	head	X421	specific"	of the OHIP	not
	neck	X431	scan per day	claim, i.e.	captured
	pelvis	X461		FEESUFF	
	spine	X490,		= C	
		X493,			
		X496]		
	thorax	X441			

2.1.4 Access to emergency department care

Indicator title	Percentage of emergency patients whose care was completed within the recommended timeframe, 2002 to 2006		
Data sources (for descriptions see section 4.1)	NACRS RPDB		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	n) Yearly emergency department (ED) visits from 2002/03 to 2006/0 fiscal years		
	Exclude: non-Ontario residents, RPDB age > 105 ED Length of Stay (LO Planned ED visit Patient left without bei Unassigned triage	,	
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	From the denominator, numerator subset restricted to the population that met the guideline		
Rates:			
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by:	Rate for years 2002 to 2006	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	





Details of Variables:		
Variable	Definition	
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the registration date from NACRS.	
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB	
Non Ontario resident	Variable VALIKN \neq V.	
Planned ED visit	Variable VISITTYPE = 3, 4, or 5.	
Left without being seen	Variable VISDISP[YYYY] = 2 , or 3 .	
Unassigned triage	Variable TRIAGE \neq 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5.	
Fiscal year of ED visit	The fiscal year of ED visit is defined as follows	:
	ED registration date	Fiscal year
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006
ED LOS	Time in the ED (in hours/minutes) is measured from the time patient registered/was triaged (take the earliest non-missing value of the registration time and the triage time) until the patient was discharged. Right now, the "discharge" time is recorded in the "dtime" variable, which is the date and time the visit was completed.	
Met guideline	Divide the ED visits into 3 groups (CTAS levels 1 and 2; CTAS level 3; and CTAS levels 4 and 5). The guidelines are CTAS level 1 and 2 = LOS < 8 hours, CTAS level 3 = LOS < 6 hours, and CTAS level 4 and 5 = LOS < 4 hours. Determine the proportion of people within each of the two severity levels who were discharged within the appropriate period of time. Discharged means "leaving the ED", whether they were sent home, transferred, admitted, etc.	





2.2: Effective

2.2.2 Outcomes of hospital care for heart attack and stroke

Indicator title	Adjusted death rate from heatin Ontario, 1999 to 2006	art attack within 30 days per 100 patients		
Data sources (for	OMID			
descriptions see section	on 4.2)			
The Indicator:				
Denominator (popula	*	Patients in OMID database in the fiscal years 1999 to 2006.		
description		Exclude:		
	_	age < 20		
N.T		sex missing		
Numerator		s following an AMI (use the date of		
(Subset of denominat		ge).		
restricted as follows:)				
Rates:	M - 41 - 1.	D:4		
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:	Direct		
Calculation	Standard population:	Patients aged 20 or above who were admitted for AMI in fiscal year 2001/02		
	Standardized by:	Sex and Age Age groups are by 5 years up to 89, and 90+		
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 1999 to 2006		
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100		
Details of Variables:				
Variable	Definition			
Age	Age at the admission from OMID			
Sex	Get sex from OMID			
Fiscal year of AMI	AMI admissions (ADMDATE)	Fiscal year		
admission	April 1999 to March 2000	1999		
	April 2000 to March 2001	2000		
	April 2001 to March 2002	2001		
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002		
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003		
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004		
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005		
20.1	April 2006 to March 2007	2006		
30-day survival	The opposite value of variable MC	DR 130:		
	Yes if $MORT30 = 0$			
	No if $MORT30 = 1$			





2.2.3 Return visits to the emergency department for children treated for asthma

Indicator title	Adjusted rate re-admission to emergency within 72 hours of initial treatment for asthma in children, 2002/03 to 2006/07		
Data sources (for	NACRS		
descriptions see section 4.2	RPDB		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population)	Yearly ED visits for Asthma from 2002/03 to 2006/07		
description	4 1		
	Diagnosis of asthma:		
	Most responsible diagnosis, dx1		
		0code1 in: (R05, R060, R062, J96)	
	AND any other diagnosis code =		
	'01')	me (variable VISDISP[YYYY] =	
	Exclude:	1	
	LHIN from RPDB	who cannot be assigned age/sex or	
	age < 1 or > 19		
	initial ED visits with admit/regis		
	2007 or later (since there won't be enough follow-up data) Transferred to another ED		
Numerator		s within 72 hours of the index ED	
(Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	visit.	within 72 hours of the index ED	
	Count all visits in the denominator. Count all return visits within 72 hours in the numerator. For example, if the child has three ED visits in close succession, the child will contribute 3 counts to the denominator and may contribute 2 counts to the numerator.		
Rates:			
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:	Direct	
	Standard population:	ED visits for asthma in fiscal year 2002/03	
	Standardized by:	Age and sex. Age groups are 1-5, 6-9, and 10-19.	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100,000	





Details of Variables	:		
Variable	Definition		
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the registration date from NACRS.		
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Fiscal year of ED	The fiscal year of ED visit is defined as follows:		
visit	ED discharge date (variable DDATE)	Fiscal year	
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002	
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003	
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004	
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005	
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006	
Return visit within	The subsequent ED visit is a return visit if		
72 hours	0 hours < (follow-up start time – index visit end time) <= 72 hours		
	subsequent ED visit is for asthma $(dx10code1 =: 'J45' \text{ or } (dx10code1 \text{ in: }$		
	('R05', 'R060', 'R062', 'J96') and any other diagnosis code =: 'J45')		
	case is urgent or emergent (triage level 1, 2, or 3)		
	Exclude from the numerator planned visits and those seen by non-ED		
	providers (visit type 3 or 5)		
	Visit start time is the earliest of (triage time, regi	stration time). Visit end	
	time is the time the visit was completed.		

2.2.4 Outcomes of care for people with chronic conditions

Indicator title	Adjusted rate of acute complications of diabetes per 100 newly diagnosed diabetes patients treated in emergency or hospital in Ontario, 2002/03 to 2005/06
Data sources (for descriptions see section 4.2)	ODD NACRS RPDB
The Indicator:	
Denominator (population) description	Population newly diagnosed with diabetes, by fiscal year, for 2002/03 through 2005/06 Exclude: Age < 20 at the time of diagnosis. This will exclude most, if not all, type I diabetics. Age > 105 at the time of diagnosis (suspect that ages > 105 are coding errors). NOTE: 2006/07 is not included because we need a year of follow-up
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	Occurrence of at least one of the following adverse events within the year after the initial of diagnosis: emergency department (ED) visits for hyperglycemia emergency department (ED) visits for hypoglycemia hospitalization for hyperglycemia





	hospitalization for hypoglycemia hospitalization for common infections When we count 1 year after initial diagnosis, we start one day after the date of diagnosis and continue for 365 days. Note that for hospital admissions of initial diagnosis, the date of admissions was used as the data of diagnosis.		
Rates:			
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:	Direct	
Calculation	Standard population:	2001 population 20+ years newly diagnosed with diabetes	
	Standardized by:	Age and Sex	
		Age groups are 20-34, 35-49, 50-64, 65-74, and 75+	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2005	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	

Details of Variables:

Variable	Definition	
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the newly diagnosis date (variable	
	DIAGDATE) from ODD.	
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB	
Fiscal year of	The fiscal year of diabetes newly diagnosis is def	ined as follows:
diabetes newly		
diagnosis	DIAGDATE	Fiscal year
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005
Emergency	ED visits within the year after initial diagnosis with the following ICD-10	
department (ED)	codes:	
visits for	E101, E110, E111, E130, E131, E140, E141, R739, E100 (2006/07),	
hyperglycemia	E1368 (2006/07), E1468 (2006/07)	
within 1 years of		
initial diagnosis		
Emergency	ED visits within the year after initial diagnosis with the following ICD-10	
department (ED)	codes:	
visits for	ICD-10 codes: E15, E160, E161, E162, E1063, E1163, E1363, E1463	
hypoglycemia		
within 1 years of		
initial diagnosis		
Hospitalization for	Inpatient hospitalization within the year after init	ial diagnosis with the





Details of Variables	:		
Variable	Definition		
hyperglycemia within 1 years of initial diagnosis	following ICD-10 codes: ICD-10 codes: E101, E110, E111, E130, E131, E140, E141, R739, E100 (2006/07), E1368 (2006/07), E1468 (2006/07) DXTYPE = M or 1		
Hospitalization for hypoglycemia within 1 years of initial diagnosis	Inpatient hospitalization within the year after initial diagnosis with the following ICD-10 codes: ICD-10 codes: E15, E160, E161, E162, E1063, E1163, E1363, E1463 DXTYPE = M or 1		
Hospitalization for common infections within 1 years of	Inpatient hospitalization within the year after initial diagnosis with the following ICD-10 codes:		
initial diagnosis	Diagnosis	ICD-10 codes	DXTYPE
	Urinary tract cystitis	N300, N308, N309	M or 1
	Urinary tract pyelonephritis	N10, N12	M or 1
	Urinary tract infection not otherwise specified	N390	M or 1
	Pneumonia	J110, J12, J13, J14, J15, J16, J17, J18	M or 1
	Bacteremia/septicaemia	A40, A41, A499, A394	M or 1
	Skin and soft tissue infections	L01, L02, L03, L04, L05, L08, A480, E1051, E1151, E1351, E1451, E1061, E1161, E1361, E1461, R02	M or 1

Indicator title	Adjusted rate of death per 100 patients in the year after diagnosis of congestive heart failure in Ontario, 2002/03 to 2005/06
Data sources (for	CHF cohort
descriptions see section 4.2)	RPDB
The Indicator:	
Denominator (population) description	The index event is a new diagnosis of CHF within the fiscal year, according to the CHF database. Exclude: not Ontario resident, or if date of birth/sex missing (because the CHF database is created at ICES, there probably won't be any deletions) age < 20 at time of diagnosis age > 105 at time of diagnosis (assume an error in the date of birth) died < 30 days after date of initial diagnosis.
	NOTE: 2006/07 is not included because we need a year of follow-up





Numerator (Subset of denominatories tricted as follows:)		Death between 30 days and 1 year (365 days) of initial diagnosis, or CHF readmission between 30 days and 1 year (365 days) of initial		
Rates:				
Standardized Rate	Method:	Direct		
Calculation	Standard population:	2001 population 20+ years newly diagnosed with CHF		
	Standardized by:	Age and sex.		
		Age groups are 20-39, 40-64, 65-74, and 75+.		
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2005		
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100,000		
Details of Variables:				
Variable	Definition			
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the newly diagnosis date (variable ADMDATE) from CHF cohort.			
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPD	В		
Fiscal year of CHF newly diagnosis	We use the variables INC[1994-2006] in the CHF database. The number (1994 to 2006) denotes the fiscal year of the incidence if variable INC[1994-2006] = 1.			
Death within 30 days and 1 year of diagnosis	Get the date of death from RPDB			
CHF readmission within 30 days and 1 year of diagnosis	CHF readmission (preadmission diagnosis of I50) between 30 days and 1 year (365 days) of initial diagnosis. Check inpatient admissions only. Preadmission diagnoses are type 1, W, X, Y, and type M if not repeated as a type 2			

Indicator title	Adjusted rate of death per 100 heart attack patients between 30 days and one year after their first heart attack, 2002/03 to 2005/06
Data sources (for	RPDB
descriptions see section 4.2)	DAD
The Indicator:	
Denominator (population)	Newly diagnosed with CAD, by fiscal year, for 2002/03 through
description	2005/06. The index event is a new diagnosis of coronary artery
	disease, operationalized as having an inpatient diagnosis of an AMI,
	and no evidence of an AMI within the previous 3 years.
	The "new" AMI can be pre-admission or post-admission. ICD-10-





Indicator title	and one year after their CA diagnosis codes are infarction) or I22 (subse Exclude: not Ontario resident, date of birth/sex missing age < 20 at time of adm age > 105 at time of addied < 30 days after date previous AMI within the		
Numerator (Subset of denomin restricted as follows	Outcomes within 30 to 3 ator; Death (RPDB)	Outcomes within 30 to 365 days after the initial AMI admission:	
Rates:	5.)		
Standardized Rate	Method:	Direct	
Calculation	Standard population:	2001 population of people newly diagnosed with an AMI	
	Standardized by:	Age and Sex Age groups are 20-39, 40-64, 65- 74, and 75+	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Standardized Rate(s): Rate for years 2002 to 2005	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	
Details of Variable	es:		
_ Variable	Definition		
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the newly diagnosis date (variable ADMDATE) from DAD.		
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPI	DB	
Non-Ontario resident	VALIKN ≠ V		
Previous AMI	A previous AMI is any hospitalization within the previous 3 years from the index date with any code for an AMI: (ICD-9 codes 410 (AMI) and 412 (old MI), ICD-10-CA codes I21 (acute myocardial infarction), I22 (subsequent myocardial infarction).		
Fiscal year of	The fiscal year of CAD newly diagnosis is defined as follows:		
CAD newly	ADMDATE Fiscal year		
diagnosis	April 2002 to March 2003	2002	
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003	
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004	
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005	





Death within 30	Get the date of death from RPDB
days and 1 year of	
diagnosis	

2.3 Safe

2.3.2 Safety in acute-care hospitals

Indicator title	Adjusted rate of selected in-hospital complications per 100 admissions, 2002/03 to 2006/07 (pulmonary embolism or deep vein thrombosis)		
Data Sources (for	RPDB		
descriptions see section 4.2)	DAD		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	All inpatient surgical discharges from an acute care hospital in the fiscal years 2002/03 to 2006/07. See the list of surgical CMGs in the "Details of variables" section.		
	Exclude:		
	age < 20 at time of discharge (adults only)		
	age > 105 at time of discharge	37	
	age or sex is missing.		
	non-Ontario resident or invalid health card number		
	patients with pre-admission diagnosis of DVT or PE		
	ICD-10-CA T81.7, T82.8, T83.8, T84.8, T85.8, I80.1, I80.2, I80.3, I26.0, I26.9 diagnosis type 1 or diagnosis type MRDx that is not also a type 2 diagnosis		
	Procedure code for complication (an operation for reducing the size of a hollow viscus by taking folds or tucks in its walls) or other interruption of the vena cava when this procedure occurs on the day of or previous to the day of the principal procedure: CCI 1.IS.51.GR-FK, 1.IS.51.GR-KA, 1.IS.51.LA in any position (status attribute not equal to A) and procedure date <= date of principal procedure.		
	Patients with a procedure for interruption of vena cava that is the		
	only operating room procedure: CCI 1.IS.51.GR-FK, 1.IS.51.GR-		
	KA, 1.IS.51.LA (status attribute not equal to A) AND no other		
	procedures recorded in the abstract		
	All obstetric hospitalizations (MCC 14) Post admission deep vein thrombosis or pulmonary embolism		
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	Post admission deep vein thrombo	osis or pulmonary embolism	
Rates:			
Standardized Rate	Method:	Direct	
Calculation Standard population: All inpatient surgical		All inpatient surgical discharges	





	Standardized by:	from an acute care hospital in the fiscal year 2002/03 and age at the discharge date is 20 or above. Age and Sex	
		Age groups are 20-64, 65-74, and 75+	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	1,000	
Details of Variables			
Variable	Definition		
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the	e discharge date from DAD. Age	
G	groups are 20-64, 65-74, and 75+.		
Sex Invalid IKN or	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
non-Ontario	VALIKN ≠ V or The first two characters are NOT between	ween '01' and '50' or are equal to	
resident	'22'.	ween or and 30 or are equal to	
Surgical discharge	Variable CMG2005 falls into one of the following categories:		
	Surgical		
	001, 003-007, 040, 050-055, 057, 075		
	181-186,188, 189, 191, 193, 194, 201-204, 210, 211, 215-218, 250-253,		
	255, 258, 260-262, 264-266, 269, 271, 310-315, 317, 320, 350-352, 354-		
	356, 358-363, 365, 367-369,372, 374-386, 425, 427-429, 432, 434, 435 438, 476-480, 482, 500-510, 512, 514, 550-552, 554, 555, 575-579, 581		
	587, 650-670, 700, 701, 703, 725, 728, 733, 734, 750, 803-805, 830, 832,		
	833, 840, 880-885, 887, 890-893, 900-902, 906, 908		
Fiscal year	The fiscal year of the hospital discharge is defined as follows:		
		1:1.1 72: 1	
	Discharge date of the admission in which the Fiscal year		
	selected procedure was performed April 2002 to March 2003	2002	
	April 2002 to March 2003 April 2003 to March 2004	2002	
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004	
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005	
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006	
Post admission deep vein thrombosis or pulmonary embolism	ICD-10-CA codes I80.1, I80.2, I80.3, I26.0, I26.9 diagnosis type 2 or ICD-9-CA T81.7, T82.8, T83.8, T84.8, T85.8, diagnosis type 2 PLUS ICD-10-CA I80.1, I80.2, I80.3, I26.0, I26.9 diagnosis type 3.		





Indicator title	Adjusted rate of selected in-hospital complications (infections due to medical care) per 100 admissions, 2002/03 – 2006/07		
Data Sources (for descriptions see section	RPDB n 4.2) DAD		
The Indicator:	,		
Denominator (population description		of care that started and ended in the March 2007 and meet one of the	
	A surgical or medical episode of care where the patient age at episode discharge date is between 20 and 105 (the AHRQ specific age 18+, but we've used age 20+ for everything else). We use the variable CMG2005 in the 1st admission within an episode to determine the type of episode, surgical or medical. The admission is for pregnancy or childbirth (MCC = 14). Retain all ages for pregnancy/childbirth admissions), Exclude: episode length of stay (LOS) <= 1 day. non-Ontario residents missing age/sex having an infection at admission hospitalizations with a diagnosis or procedure code indicating: an immunocompromised state, or cancer		
Numerator (Subset of denominator restricted as follows:)	Post admission infection		
Rates:	l		
Standardized Rate	Method:	Direct	
Calculation	Standard population:	All episodes from denominator in the fiscal year 2002/03 and age at the discharge date is 20 or above.	
	Standardized by:	Age and Sex Age groups are 20-64, 65-74, and 75+	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	1,000	
Details of Variables:		<u> </u>	
	Definition		
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the discharge date from DAD.		
	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
	VALIKN ≠ V or		
non-Ontario	The first two characters are NOT between '01' and '50' or are equal to		





Details of Variables	•	
Variable	Definition	
resident	² 22'.	
Episode length of stay (LOS)	It is calculated as follows: discharge date of the last discharge within an episode – admission date of the 1st discharge within an episode – ALCLOS of the last discharge within an episode. If ALCLOS is blank, we set it as 0. If episode LOS is less than 1, we set it as 1.	
Medical / Surgical episodes of care	We need to look at the variable CMG2005 of the 1st discharge within an episode: Medical 010-022, 028, 060, 062, 063, 100-102, 104, 107-109, 113-116, 135-147, 200, 205-208, 212, 213, 219, 220, 222, 225, 226, 229, 232-235, 237, 240, 242, 279, 281, 285, 286, 289, 290, 294, 297, 323-326, 329, 391-394,397-399, 401, 402, 404, 407, 409, 411, 413, 414, 439, 440, 443, 446, 447, 452, 454, 483, 485, 487-489, 520-522, 524, 525-527, 529, 532, 534-536, 538, 560, 561-563, 592, 594-596, 674-696, 704, 709, 710, 726, 730, 735-737, 751, 756, 757, 761, 763, 811, 813, 818, 823, 831, 834, 841, 842, 846, 847, 849, 850-852, 860-868, 895, 898, 910, 999 Surgical 001, 003-007, 040, 050-055, 057, 075-078, 081-093, 125-129, 175-179, 181-186,188, 189, 191, 193, 194, 201-204, 210, 211, 215-218, 250-253, 255, 258, 260-262, 264-266, 269, 271, 310-315, 317, 320, 350-352, 354-356, 358-363, 365, 367-369,372, 374-386, 425, 427-429, 432, 434, 435-438, 476-480, 482, 500-510, 512, 514, 550-552, 554, 555, 575-579, 581-587, 650-670, 700, 701, 703, 725, 728, 733, 734, 750, 803-805, 830, 832, 833, 840, 880-885, 887, 890-893, 900-902, 906, 908	
Infection at admission	Within the episode of care, check for infection code (i.e. dxtype 1, dxtype M not repeated as type 2, dxtype W, X, Y):	
	T802	Infections following infusion, transfusion and
	TOON	therapeutic injection Infection following immunication
	T880	Infection following immunization
	T826	Infection and inflammatory reaction due to cardiac valve prosthesis
	T827 Infection and inflammatory reaction due to cardiac and vascular devices, implants and	
	T835	Infection and inflammatory reaction due to prosthetic device, implant and graft in urinary system
	T836	Infection and inflammatory reaction due to





Details of Variables	•			
Variable	Definition			
variation c			evice, imp	lant and graft in genital tract,
	T845			atory reaction due to internal
	1843	joint prosthe	esis	·
	T846			atory reaction due to internal
	1010	fixation dev		-
	TO 47			atory reaction due to other
	T847	grafts	iopedic pro	osthetic devices, implants and
			d inflamm	atory reaction due to other
	T857			ices, implants and grafts
Immunocompromis ed state	Because v methods t T86.822: T86.832: T86.842: graft/flap T86.882:	we may repeat this into be consistent, do N Infection of bone gra Infection of cornea to	dicator in to OT include off/flap cansplant ue (skin, m	uscle, fascia, tendon, mucosa)
	ICD-9-CM diagnosis from Corresponding ICD-10-CA		onding ICD-10-CA	
	the AHR		diagnosis	
	042	HIV	B24	HIV
	1363	pneumocystosis	B59	pneumocystosis
	260	kwashiorkor	E40	kwashiorkor
	261	nutritional	E42	Marasmic kwashiorkor
	262	marasmus	E42	H
	262	Other severe protein-calorie	E43	Unspecified severe protein-energy
		malnutrition		malnutrition
	23873	Neoplasm of	D44.7	Neoplasm of uncertain or
		uncertain	2,	unknown behaviour of
		behavior of		aortic body and other
		paraganglia		paraganglia
	23876	Neoplasm of	D42.9	Neoplasm of uncertain or
		uncertain		unknown behaviour of
				meninges, unspecified
		behavior of		meninges, unspectified
		meninges	0100	-
		meninges everyone with any o		CA codes D80
	(Immuno	meninges everyone with any o odeficiency with prec	dominantly	CA codes D80 vantibody defects), D81
	(Immuno (Combin	meninges everyone with any o odeficiency with prec ded immunodeficience	dominantly ies), D82 (CA codes D80 vantibody defects), D81





ails of Variables:	efinition			
	7900	Hypogamma- globulinaemia NOS	D80.1, D80.2	hereditary (D80.1) and non-familial (D80.2) hypogamma- globulinaemia
2	7901	selective IGA immuno- deficiency	D80.2	Selective deficiency of immunoglobulin A [IgA]
2	7902	selective IGM immuno- deficiency	D80.3	Selective deficiency of immunoglobulin G [IgG] subclasses
	7903	Other selective immuno-globulin deficiencies	D80.9	Immunodeficiency with predominantly antibody defects, unspecified
	7904	congenital hypogamma- globulinaemia	D80.0	Hereditary hypogamma- globulinaemia
	7905	Immuno- deficiency with hyper IGM	D80.5	Immunodeficiency with increased immuno-globulin M [IgM]
	7906	common variable immuno- deficiency	D83	Common variable immunodeficiency
	7909	Other deficiency of humoral immunity (B- cell/antibody deficiency)	D80.9	Immunodeficiency with predominantly antibody defects, unspecified
	7910	Immuno- deficiency with predominant t-cell defect unspecified	D83.1	Common variable immunodeficiency with predominant immunoregulatory T-cell disorders
	7911	digeorges syndrome	D82.1	Di George's syndrome
	7912 7913	Wiskott-Aldrich Syndrome nezelofs	D82.0 D81.4	Wiskott-Aldrich Syndrome Nezelof's syndrome
	7913	syndrome		
	/919	Other deficiency of cell-mediated immunity	Include d in D83 and D84.9	cell-mediated immunity depends on T-cells and lymphocytes
$\frac{1}{2}$	792	Combined	D84.9	Combined





Details of Variables:				
Variable	Definition			
		immunity deficiency		immunodeficiencies
	2793	unspecified immunity deficiency	D84.9	Immunodeficiency, unspecified
	2794	autoimmune disease NEC	M35.9	Systemic involvement of connective tissue, unspecified site Autoimmune disease (systemic) NOS
	2798	other specified disorders involving the immune mechanism	D84.8	Other specified immunodeficiencies
	2799	unspecified disorder of immune mechanism	D84.9	Immunodeficiency, unspecified
	28409	const aplastic anemia NEC	D61.0	Constitutional aplastic anaemia
	2841	pancytopenia	D61.9	Aplastic anaemia, unspecified
	2880	agranulocytosis	D70	Agranulocytosis
	28800	Neutropenia NOS	D70.0	Neutropenia, including
	28801	Congenital neutropenia		NOS, cyclic, drug- induced and congenital
	28802	Cyclic neutropenia		
	28803	drug induced neutropenia		
	28809	Neutropenia NEC		
	2881	Functional disorders of polymorphonuclear neutrophils	D71	Functional disorders of polymorphonuclear neutrophils
	2882	genetic anomaly leukocyte	D72.0	Genetic anomalies of leukocytes
	2884	Hemophagocytic syndromes	D76.2	Haemophagocytic syndrome, infection-associated
	28850	Leukocytopenia, unspecified	D70.0	Neutropenia





Details of Variables:				
Variable	Definition			
	28851	lymphocytopenia	D72.8	Other specified disorders of white blood cells, includes lymphopenia
	28859	other decreased WBC count	D70.0	Neutropenia
	28953	neutropenic splenomegaly	D70.0	Neutropenia, includes Neutropenic splenomegaly
	28983	myelofibrosis	D47.1	Myelofibrosis (with myeloid metaplasia)
	40301 40311 40391	hypertensive chronic kidney disease, [malignant, benign, unspecified], with chronic kidney disease stage V or end stage renal disease	I12 + N18	disease plus chronic renal failure, end stage renal disease
	40402 40403 40412 40413 04092 40493	hypertensive heart and chronic kidney disease, [malignant, benign, unspecified], [with, without] heart failure, and with chronic kidney disease stage V or end stage renal disease	I13 + N18	and renal disease plus chronic renal failure, end stage renal disease
	5793	Other and unspecified postsurgical nonabsorption	K91.2	Postsurgical malabsorption, not elsewhere classified
	585	chronic kidney disease, any stage	N18	chronic renal failure





etails of Variable triable	Definition			
	5855 5856	chronic kidney disease stage V end stage renal disease	N18.0	chronic renal failure, end stage renal disease
	9968 99680 99681 99682 99683 99684 99685 99686 99687 99689	complications of transplanted organ, complications of organ transplant NOS, complications of [kidney, liver, heart, lung, marrow, pancreas, intestine, other organ] transplant	T86	failure and rejection of transplanted organ
	V420 V421 V426 V427 V428 V4281 V4282 V4283 V4284 V4289	[kidney, heart, lung, liver, other specified organ or tissue, bone marrow specified, peripheral stem cells, pancreas, intestines, other] replaced by transplant	Z940 (kidney) Z941 (heart) Z942 (lung) Z943 (heart and lung) Z944 (liver) Z945 (skin) Z946 (bone) Z947 (corneal) Z9480 (bone marrow) Z9481 (intestine) Z9482 (pancreas) Z9488 (other) Z949 (unspecified)	
	V451 V560 V561 V562	Postsurgical renal dialysis status Aftercare involving extracorporeal dialysis	Z99.2 Z49.0 Z49.1 Z49.2	Dependence on renal dialysis preparatory care for dialysis extracorporeal dialysis peritoneal dialysis





Details of Variables:				
	efinitio	1		
	CD-9-C	CM procedure code	Correspondin	ng CCI procedure
	0018	infuse immunosup antibody	8.ZZ.70	Immunization (to prevent) immune disorder NEC
	335 3350 3351 3352	lung transplantation lung transplantation NOS unilateral lung transplantation bilateral lung transplantation	1.GR.85 1.GT.85	transplant, lobe of lung transplant, lung NEC
3	336	combined heart-lung transplantation	1.HY.85	transplant, heart with lung(s)
	375 3751	heart transplantation heart transplantation	1.HZ.85	transplant, heart NEC
4 4 4 4	410 4100 4101 4102 4103	operations on bone marrow and spleen bone marrow transplant NOS autologous bone marrow transplant w/o purging allogeneic bone marrow transplant w/ purging allogeneic bone marrow transplant w/o purging	1.WY.19	transfusion, bone marrow
	4104 4105	autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplant w/o purging allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant w/o purging	1.LZ.19.H H-U7-A 1.LZ.19.H H-U7-J	transfusion of stem cells (A = autologous, J = allogeneic)
	1106	cord blood stem cell transplant	1.LZ.19.H H-U8	transfusion of cord blood stem cells





Details of Variables				
Variable	Definition		T	T
	4107	autologous	1.LZ.19.H	transfusion of stem
	4108	hematopoietic stem	H-U7-A	cells (A =
		cell transplant w/	1.LZ.19.H	autologous, J =
		purging	H-U7-J	allogeneic)
		allogeneic	(same	
		hematopoietic stem	codes as	
		cell transplant w/	above)	
		purging		
	4109	autologous bone	1.WY.19	bone marrow
		marrow transplant w/	(same code	transplant
		purging	as above)	1
	5051	auxiliary liver	there	
		transplant	doesn't	
		(auxiliary liver	seem to be	
		transplant leaving	an	
		patient's own liver in	equivalent	
		situ)	CCI code	
	5059	liver transplant NOS	1.OA.85	transplant, liver
	5280	pancreatic transplant	1.OJ.85	transplant, pancreas
		NOS		
	5281	reimplantation of	1.OJ.83	transfer, pancreas
	5282	pancreatic tissue		Replantation,
		homotransplant of		pancreas [tissue], to
		pancreas		muscle [e.g. thigh]
		1		Autotransplantation,
				pancreas [tissue]
				following
				pancreatectomy
	5283	heterotransplant of	included	punoreureure
		pancreas	under	
		parierous	1.OJ.85	
	5285	allotransplantation of	included	
		cells of islets of	under	
		langerhans	1.OJ.85	
	5286	transplantation of	included	
		cells of islets of	under	
		langerhans, NOS	1.OJ.85	
	5569	other kidney	1.PC.85	transplant, kidney
		transplantation	1.1 0.05	transplant, klaney
Cancer	The ICD	-9-CM codes used by the	AHRO comp	rise a complete list of al
MIIOOI		alignant neoplasm codes.		
		s codes which start with		
		ferring to a "history" of a		
	- coucs ici	viiiig wa mowiy dia	mangnant not	prusiii. Tiiolololo,





Details of Variables	S:	
Variable	Definition	
	history of malignant neoplasm")	
Fiscal year	The fiscal year of the hospital discharge is d	lefined as follows:
	Discharge date of the admission in which	Fiscal year
	the selected procedure was performed	
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004
	April 2005 to March 2006	2005
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006
Post admission deep vein thrombosis or pulmonary embolism	ICD-10-CA codes I80.1, I80.2, I80.3, I26.0, Or ICD-9-CA T81.7, T82.8, T83.8, T84.8, ICD-10-CA I80.1, I80.2, I80.3, I26.0, I26.9 The following ICD-10-CA diagnosis codes Because we may repeat this indicator in futt methods to be consistent, do NOT include to T86.822: Infection of bone graft/flap T86.832: Infection of cornea transplant T86.842: Infection of soft tissue (skin, musc graft/flap	T85.8, diagnosis type 2 PLUS diagnosis type 3. were removed in 2007. are years, and would like the hem:
	T86.882: Infection of other transplanted tiss	sue:

2.3.3 Safety in long term care

Indicator title	Adjusted rate of falls resulting in visits to emergency per 100 long-term care residents, 2003/04 to 2006/07
Data Sources (for	NACRS
descriptions see section 4.2)	DAD
	OHIP
	RPDB
The Indicator:	
Denominator (population)	Residents in Ontario LTC facilities in the fiscal years 2003/04 to
description	2006/07.
	Search for all "W" OHIP feecodes between 4 months (i.e. Dec. 1)
	prior to and 4 months (July 31) after April 1 of the fiscal year of
	interest. Include the LTC resident only if there was at least one "W"
	feecode within 120 days prior to April 1 AND within the 120 days
	on or after April 1 of the fiscal year of interest.
	Exclude:
	residents aged < 65 or > 105 on April 1, 2006,
	dead on April 1, 2006,
	invalid sex and age values





Indicator title	Adjusted rate of falls resulting in visits to emergency per 100 long-term care residents, 2003/04 to 2006/07		
	invalid health card number		
	resident in palliative care		
Numerator (Subset of denominator restricted as follows:)	Falls in nursing homes resulting in an ED visit/inpatient hospitalization.		
Rates:			
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:	Direct	
	Standard population:	Residents in Ontario LTC facilities in the fiscal years 2003/04.	
	Standardized by:	Age and sex. Age groups are 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, and 85+.	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Standardized overall rate by year from 2003/04 to 2006/07	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	
Details of Variables:			
Variable	Definition		
Age	Age at April 1 of the fiscal year of interest. Age groups are 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, and 85+.		
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Death date	Get the patient's date of death from RPDB		
Involid IVN	$\mathbf{V} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{N} \neq \mathbf{V}$		

v arrabic	Definition
Age	Age at April 1 of the fiscal year of interest. Age groups are 65-69, 70-
	74, 75-79, 80-84, and 85+.
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB
Death date	Get the patient's date of death from RPDB
Invalid IKN	VALIKN ≠ V
In palliative Care	We define residents as in palliative care if:
	OHIP feecode A945, C945, C882, C982, W872, W882, W972, or W982
	or K023 in the year prior to and including April 1, 2006, or
	CIHI record with patserv=58 in the year prior to and including index
	date, April 1, 2006
Fall resulting in	ICD-10-CA code W00 through W19 as the main reason for the ED visit
ED visit or	(dx10code1) or as one of the pre-admission diagnosis codes in the CIHI
inpatient admission	inpatient record (DXTYPE = M but not 2, 1, W, X, or Y)
Fiscal year	The fiscal year in which the residents were located by using OHIP
	records

Indicator title	Rate per 100 long-term care home residents with at least one potentially inappropriate prescription, 2002/03 to 2006/07
Data sources (for	ODB
descriptions see section	OHIP
4.2)	RPDB
The Indicator:	





Denominator (population description	For fiscal years 2002/03 to 2006/07 (from RPDB) age 65 years or older fiscal year of interest. (e.g. they mid 1, 2005 for fiscal year 2006/07). We are only interested in LTC homedefinition) Exclude: those who died prior to the end of the 31, 2007 for fiscal year 2006/07) those who had no contact with the liprior to the start of the fiscal year (or contact).	ras of 120 days prior to the start of ust have been age 65 by December he residents in Ontario (see he fiscal year (e.g. prior to March health care system in the 5 years	
	for fiscal year 2006/07)	e.g. no contact after April 1, 2001	
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	Filling one or more prescriptions for one of the listed drugs (see Appendix A) (excluding hormone replacement drugs) at any time during the fiscal year of interest		
Rates:		L	
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by:	For fiscal years 2002/04 to 2006/07	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	
Details of Variables:			
Variable	Definition		
Age	Age at April 1 of the fiscal year of in 75-84, and 85+.	nterest. Age groups are 65-74,	
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Death date	Get the patient's date of death from		
Community / nursing	A person is classified as LTC home	resident if s/he has met ALL	
home resident	following criteria:	OD (W/) OHID for and in	
	Any prescriptions with (LTC = '1') OHIP in the period starting 120 days	•	
	year.		
	Any prescriptions with (LTC = '1') OR any 'W' OHIP fee code in the second second in the second secon		
	A person is classified as community above record. We code the person u into either category.		
Daily use of	Yes if there is at least one refill of the		
Fluoxetine	drug list, any drug with DRUGNAME starting with 'FLUOXETINE') within 1.5 times the days supplied during the fiscal		
In an unic t -	year of interest.	the day a list (over 1 - 1; - 1	
Inappropriate	Yes if there is at least one drug from	the drug list (excluding normone	





prescribing replacement drug) prescribed in the fiscal year of interest.	
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^{*} Please see Appendix A – Drug List.

2.3.4 Drug safety in community-based care for the elderly

Indicator title	Rate of inappropriate prescribi 2002/03 to 2006/07	ng per 100 seniors in the community,	
Data sources (for	ODB		
descriptions see section	OHIP		
4.2)	RPDB		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	For fiscal years 2002/03 to 2006/07, include all Ontario residents (from RPDB) age 65 years or older as of 120 days prior to the start of fiscal year of interest. (e.g. they have to have been age 65 by December 1, 2005 for fiscal year 2006/07). We are only interested in elderly Ontario Community residents (see definition) Exclude: those who died prior to the end of the fiscal year (e.g. prior to March 31, 2007 for fiscal year 2006/07) those who had no contact with the health care system in the 5 years prior to the start of the fiscal year (e.g. no contact after April 1, 2001 for fiscal year 2006/07)		
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:) Rates:	Filling one or more prescriptions for one of the listed drugs (excluding hormone replacement drug) at any time during the fiscal year of interest		
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by:	For fiscal years 2002/04 to 2006/07	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	
Details of Variables:		l	
Variable	Definition		
Age		at April 1 of the fiscal year of interest.	
Sex	*	Get the patient's sex from RPDB	
Death date	Get the patient's date of death from RPDB		
Community / nursing	A person is classified as LTC home resident if s/he has met ALL		
home resident	following criteria:		
	Any prescriptions with (LTC = '1') OR any 'W' OHIP fee code in		
	OHIP in the period starting 120 days prior to the start of the fiscal		
	year. Any prescriptions with (LTC = '1') OR any 'W' OHIP fee code in the 120 days after the beginning of the fiscal year		
	120 days after the beginning of	ine fiscal year	





Details of Variables:	
_Variable	Definition
	A person is classified as community resident if s/he has none of the above record. We code the person unclassified if s/he does not fall into either category.
Daily use of Fluoxetine	Yes if there is at least one refill of the Fluoxetine drug (i.e. from the drug list, any drug with DRUGNAME starting with 'FLUOXETINE') within 1.5 times the days supplied during the fiscal year of interest.
Inappropriate prescribing (excluding hormone replacement drug)	Yes if there is at least one drug from the drug list (excluding hormone replacement drug) prescribed in the fiscal year of interest.





2.5 Equity

Refer to the Accessible, Effective and Safe sections above for technical details for additional indicators analyzed in the Equity section.

Indicator title		Proportion of Ontario population (18 years and older) with and without a chronic disease who have a regular medical doctor, 2007		
Data Sources		PCAS		
The Indicator:				
Denominator (population) description (source, exclusions, time frame) Two separate definitions for the denominator: All respondents aged 18 or above All respondents aged 18 or above who have chronic dise Exclude: Those for whom it is not possible to tell if they have a cl disease due to invalid responses.		e who have chronic disease		
Numerator (Subset of denomina restricted as follows		Population with a regular medical doctor		ll doctor
Rates:		1		
Crude Rate Calculation		Crude Rate(s) by:	О	ntario overall
		Unit of Rate(s) per:	10	00
Details of Variables:	•			
Variable	Defin	ition		
Age	AGE	_2		
Sex		NDER: 1 = male, 5 = female	ale	
Having a regular medical doctor	FAM	FAMDOC: 1 = yes		
Chronic diseases	RH_2 RH_2 heart of RH_2 RH_2 RH_2 availa RH_2 for ea 8: dor	RH_2A: high blood pressure RH_2B: diabetes RH_2C: arthritis RH_2D: heart disease (in wave 5, this question was changed to ask about heart disease or stroke) RH_2E: cancer RH_2F: asthma (this question is only available in wave 5) RH_2G: respiratory problems such as COPD (this question is only available in wave 5) RH_2H: depression (this question is only available in wave 5) for each disease, invalid responses are 8: don't know 9: refused		





Variable	Definition
	If the person answers "yes" to at least one of the chronic disease questions, then they have a chronic disease (even if they give an invalid response to the remainder of the questions)
	Note: Starting with wave 5, some additional chronic diseases were added. Because the newly added diseases include depression, which is one of the four chronic conditions OHQC is focused on, and because wave 6, when it comes, will also have these additional diseases, we'll include the additional questions. Thus, it will appear that there is less chronic disease among people interviewed in wave 4 than in waves 5 and 6.

Indicator title	Proportion of Ontario population (aged 18 years and older) with and without a chronic condition who were satisfied with their care when sick, 2007		
Data Sources	PCAS		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description (source, exclusions, time frame)	2. All respondents aExclude:3. Those for whom	for the denominator: aged 18 or above aged 18 or above who have chronic disease it is not possible to tell if they have a due to invalid responses.	
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	Satisfied with care when they were sick		
Rates:			
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by: Ontario overall		
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	
Details of Variables:	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	

Details of Variables:

Variable	Definition
Age	AGE_2
Sex	RGENDER: 1 = male, 5 = female
Satisfied with care	PCAS variable SICK_10B
when they were	1: very satisfied <u>or</u>
sick	2: somewhat satisfied
	8: don't know
	9: refused to answer





Variable	Definition
	Yes, satisfied if variable value is 1 or 2
	No, not satisfied if variable value is 3, 4, or 5
	Exclude records if variable value is 8, or 9 (but after the post-stratification
	weights are computed)
Chronic diseases	RH_2A: high blood pressure
	RH_2B: diabetes
	RH_2C: arthritis
	RH_2D: heart disease (in wave 5, this question was changed to ask about
	heart disease <u>or</u> stroke)
	RH_2E: cancer
	RH_2F: asthma (this question is only available in wave 5)
	RH_2G: respiratory problems such as COPD (this question is only
	available in wave 5)
	RH_2H: depression (this question is only available in wave 5)
	for each disease, invalid responses are
	8: don't know
	9: refused
	7. Telused
	If the person answers "yes" to at least one of the chronic disease
	questions, then they have a chronic disease (even if they give an invalid
	response to the remainder of the questions)
	Note: Starting with wave 5, some additional chronic diseases were added.
	Because the newly added diseases include depression, which is one of the
	four chronic conditions OHQC is focused on, and because wave 6, when
	it comes, will also have these additional diseases, we'll include the
	additional questions. Thus, it will appear that there is less chronic disease
	among people interviewed in wave 4 than in waves 5 and 6.





2.6: Efficient

2.6.2 Visits to emergency that could be done in a doctor's office

Indicator title			gency for conditions that could be ons, 2002/03 to 2006/07
Data Sources	NACRS RPDB		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	Weighted populati	on from year	r 2002 to 2006
	Exclude:		
	Age < 1		
	Age > 74		
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	in the details of va the conditions that	riables, with	10-CA diagnosis codes listed below dxtype = MAIN. They all refer to been treated somewhere else.
	Conditions	ICD-10	Description
		codes	
	Conjunctivitis	A740	CHLAMYDIAL
			CONJUNCTIVITIS
		B309	VIRAL CONJUNCTIVITIS
			UNSPECIFIED
		H100	MUCOPURULENT
			CONJUNCTIVITIS
		H101	ACUTE ATOPIC
			CONJUNCTIVITIS
		H102	OTHER ACUTE
			CONJUNCTIVITIS
		H103	ACUTE CONJUNCTIVITIS
			UNSPECIFIED
		H104	CHRONIC CONJUNCTIVITIS
		H105	BLEPHAROCONJUNCTIVITI
			S
		H108	OTHER CONJUNCTIVITIS
		H109	CONJUNCTIVITIS
			UNSPECIFIED
		H130	FILARIAL INFECTION
			CONJUNCTIVA
		H131	CONJUNCTIVITIS INFECT &
			PARASIT DIS CL/E
		H132	CONJUNCTIVITIS IN OTHER
			DISEASES CL/E
		H133	OCULAR PEMPHIGOID





dicator title			gency for conditions that could be sons, 2002/03 to 2006/07
	Cystitis	N300	ACUTE CYSTITIS
		N301	INTERSTITIAL CYSTITIS
		1,001	(CHRONIC)
		N302	OTHER CHRONIC CYSTITIS
		N303	TRIGONITIS
		N304	IRRADIATION CYSTITIS
		N308	OTHER CYSTITIS
		N309	CYSTITIS UNSPECIFIED
		N330	TUBERCULOUS CYSTITIS
		N390	URINARY TRACT
		1,000	INFECTION SITE NOT SPEC
	Otitis Media	H650	ACUTE SEROUS OTITIS
		11020	MEDIA
		H651	OTHER ACUTE
		11001	NONSUPPURATIVE OTITIS
			MEDIA
		H652	CHRONIC SEROUS OTITIS
			MEDIA
		H653	CHRONIC MUCOID OTITIS
			MEDIA
		H654	OTH CHRONIC
			NONSUPPURATIVE OTITIS
			MEDIA
		H659	NONSUPPURATIVE OTITIS
			MEDIA UNSPECIFIED
		H660	ACUTE SUPPURATIVE
			OTITIS MEDIA
		H661	CHR TUBOTYMPANIC
			SUPPURATVE OTITIS
			MEDIA
		H662	CHR ATTICOANTRAL
			SUPPURATVE OTITIS
			MEDIA
		H663	OTHER CHRONIC
			SUPPURATIVE OTITIS
			MEDIA
		H664	SUPPURATIVE OTITIS
			MEDIA UNSPECIFIED
		H669	OTITIS MEDIA
			UNSPECIFIED
		H670	OTITIS MEDIA IN
			BACTERIAL DISEASES CL/E
		H671	OTITIS MEDIA IN VIRAL





ndicator title			rgency for conditions that could be rsons, 2002/03 to 2006/07
	treated ersewhere	, per 100 per	DISEASES CL/E
		H678	OTITIS MEDIA IN OTHER
		11076	DISEASES CL/E
	Upper	J00	ACUTE NASOPHARYNGITIS
	Respiratory	300	[COMMON COLD]
	Infections	J010	ACUTE MAXILLARY
		0010	SINUSITIS
		J011	ACUTE FRONTAL SINUSITIS
		J012	ACUTE ETHMOIDAL
			SINUSITIS
		J013	ACUTE SPHENOIDAL
			SINUSITIS
		J014	ACUTE PANSINUSITIS
		J018	OTHER ACUTE SINUSITIS
		J019	ACUTE SINUSITIS
			UNSPECIFIED
		J028	ACUTE PHARYNGITIS DT
			OTH SPEC ORGANISMS
		J029	ACUTE PHARYNGITIS
			UNSPECIFIED
		J038	ACUTE TONSILLITIS DT
			OTH SPEC ORGANISMS
		J039	ACUTE TONSILLITIS
			UNSPECIFIED
		J040	ACUTE LARYNGITIS
		J041	ACUTE TRACHEITIS
		J060	ACUTE
			LARYNGOPHARYNGITIS
		J068	OTHER ACUTE URTI OF
			MULTIPLE SITES
		J069	ACUTE URTI UNSPECIFIED
		J310	CHRONIC RHINITIS
		J311	CHRONIC
			NASOPHARYNGITIS
		J312	CHRONIC PHARYNGITIS
		J320	CHRONIC MAXILLARY
			SINUSITIS
		J321	CHRONIC FRONTAL
		70	SINUSITIS
		J322	CHRONIC ETHMOIDAL
		X2.2.2	SINUSITIS
		J323	CHRONIC SPHENOIDAL
			SINUSITIS





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Indicator title	Adjusted rate of visits to emergency for conditions that could be treated elsewhere, per 100 persons, 2002/03 to 2006/07		
	treated eisewher	J324	CHRONIC PANSINUSITIS
		J328	OTHER CHRONIC SINUSITIS
		J329	CHRONIC SINUSITIS
		0023	UNSPECIFIED
		J350	CHRONIC TONSILLITIS
		J351	HYPERTROPHY OF TONSILS
		J352	HYPERTROPHY OF
			ADENOIDS
		J353	HYPERTROPHY TONSILS
			AND ADENOIDS
		J358	OTH CHRONIC DISEASES
			TONSILS & ADENOIDS
		J359	CHRONIC DISEASE
			TONSILS & ADENOIDS NOS
		J399	DISEASE OF UPPER
			RESPIRATORY TRACT NOS
	age < 1 or age > 74 CTAS levels I, II, and III admitted to hospital		
Rates:	-		
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:		Direct
	Standard popula	ntion:	RPDB weighted population in 2001
	Standardized by	<i>'</i> :	Age and sex. 5-year age groups from 1-5 to 70-74.
	Standardized Ra	ate(s):	Rate for years 2002 to 2006
	Unit of Rate(s)	per:	100





Details of Variables	Σ		
Variable	Definition		
Age	Age at the registration date. Get date of birth from RPDB.		
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
Invalid IKN	Variable VALIKN \neq V		
Planned or scheduled visit	Variable VISITTYPE = 3, 4, or 5		
CTAS levels I, II, or III	Variable TRIAGE = 1, 2, or 3		
Admitted to hospital at ED discharge Fiscal year of ED	Variable VISITDISP2002, VISITDISP2003, or VISITDISP2005 = 06 or 07		
visit	The fiscal year of ED visit is defined as fol	nows.	
VISIT	ED registration date (variable REGDATE)	Fiscal year	
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002	
	April 2003 to March 2004	2003	
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004	
	April 2005 to March 2006 2005		
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006	
Whether the patient resides in a CMA	Yes if SACTYPE = '1' and No, otherwise		
	SACTYPE can be first looked up by using Census Sub-division and then secondly by using CMA. Here is a piece of SAS codes to determine whether an individual resides in a CMA:		
	sactype=put(prcdcsd,\$sactype.); if sactype=' ' then		
	sactype=put(put(substr(prcddablk,1,8),\$dacma.),\$sacty2); label sactype= 'statistical area type (cma, tr-ca, untr-ca miz)'; cma = (sactype = '1');		

2.6.3 Unnecessary tests before cataract surgery

Indicator title	Rate of pre-operative testing per 100 cataract procedures, 2002/03 to 2006/07 (ECG and X-ray)
Data sources (for descriptions see section 4.2)	OHIP RPDB
The Indicator:	
Denominator (population)	A hospital discharge record (inpatient or outpatient) is selected if it





description	indicates cataract surgery. Cataract surg	gery was defined using the	
	CIHI definition found at		
	www.cihi.ca/cihiweb/en/downloads/Wa	itTimesReport_tech_Cataract	
	<u>s_e.pdf</u>		
	Cataract surgery is identified using a con-	mbination of a procedure	
	code and diagnosis codes:		
	CCI code		
	1.CL.89 - (Excision total, lens. Includes: Lens extraction (for cataract) with or without insertion of intraocular lens prosthesis) in		
	any position.		
	ICD-10 codes		
	H25 - senile cataract		
	H26 - other cataract, or	. 1. 1 1	
	H28 - cataract and other disorders of len elsewhere in any position	is in diseases classified	
	Exclude:		
	Invalid health card number or Ontario page/sex missing	atient identifier	
	patient age is < 20 at the time of admissi	ion	
	patient age is > 105 at the time of admis	sion	
	non-elective admission		
	procedure was "previous" or out of hospital procedure		
	patient was discharged dead		
Numerator	Two kinds of pre-operating tests dated in	n the 30 days (i e 1 <=	
(Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	admission date – OHIP servdate <= 30) prior to admission for surgery (not the date of surgery):		
	Electrocardiograms (ECG), OHIP fee code G313		
	Chest X-rays (fee codes X090, X091, and X092)		
	Rates of pre-operative ECG and chest X	-ray testing are calculated as	
	the number of patients receiving an ECC		
	ECG even if the patient had more than 1 ECG, and count one chest		
	X-ray even if the patient had more than		
	respectively, in the 30 days prior to hosp		
	total number of discharges (we are considering individual discharges not episodes of care). Exclude: Procedures performed on the day of surgery (since these are likely to		
	be post-operative.)		
Rates:	· • • • · ·		
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by:	Rate for years 2002 to 2006	





	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	
Details of Variables:			
Variable	Definition		
Age	Date of birth from RPDB. Age	e at the admission date.	
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPI		
Invalid IKN	Variable VALIKN ≠ V		
Non-elective	Inpatient admissions were cons	sidered to be non-elective if	
admission	CIHI variable ADMCAT \neq L,		
	CIHI variable ENTRY \neq C, D,	or P	
	Outpatient procedures were co	nsidered to be non-elective if	
	admission by ambulance (SDS	variable ADMAMBUL = A , G , W , or	
	C).		
Out of hospital	Variable INOOH[1-20] = 'Y'		
procedure			
	In CIHI data 2002 and after, there is not any variable indicating		
D (') 1' 1 1	previous procedure.	D 07	
Patient was discharged	Inpatient records: DISCHDIS	P = 0	
dead			
	Outpatient records: Fiscal year	Variable and Value	
	2002/03	DISCHDISP = 07	
	2003/04	VISDISP2003 = 10	
	2004/05	VISDISF2003 = 10 VISDISP2003 = 10	
	2005/06	VISDISF2005 = 10	
	2006/07	VISDISP2005 = 10	
Fiscal year of Cataract	The fiscal year of procedure performed is defined as follows:		
surgery performed	Admission date Fiscal year		
sargery performed	(ADMDATE)	1 isour your	
	April 2002 to March 2003	2002	
	April 2002 to March 2003 April 2003 to March 2004	2002	
	April 2004 to March 2005	2004	
	April 2004 to March 2006 April 2005 to March 2006	2005	
	April 2006 to March 2007	2006	

2.6.4 Use of expensive drugs when lower cost alternatives are available

,	Adjusted rate of prescribing a thiazide as their first antihypertensive medication per 100 elderly people, 2005/06 and 2006/07
Data sources (for	DAD
descriptions see section 4.2)	OHIP
	ODB
	RPDB

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Indicator title	Adjusted rate of prescribing a thiazide as their first antihypertensive medication per 100 elderly people, 2005/06 and 2006/07		
	ODD		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	People newly diagnosed with hypertension. Select everyone who filled a prescription for one of the drugs on the "inclusion" list (se Appendix B) during the two-year period from April 1, 2005 to March 31, 2007. Select only the first such prescription for each person. This is the index date.		
	Exclude: Patient not at least 66 years old on index date. Patients with previous prescriptions for one of the drugs in the list, in the 1 year prior to the index date. This is because we want only people who are being treated for hypertension for the first time. Patients who filled a prescription for one of the drugs on the "exclusion" list (see Appendix C) in the one year period prior to or on the index date. Patients with the most responsible diagnoses within the 3 years prior to the index date which suggest that the diuretics were prescribed for something other than hypertension. Patients diagnosed with diabetes at any time prior to the index date.		
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	The numerator is the number of people whose first prescription was just a thiazide. See "Success" in the details of variable section.		
Rates:	1		
Standardized Rate Calculation	Method:	Direct	
	Standard population: People newly diagnosed with hypertension in 2005/06		
	Standardized by:	Age and sex. Age groups are 66-74 and 75+.	
	Standardized Rate(s):	Rate for years 2005/06 to 2006/07	
	Unit of Rate(s) per: 100		





Details of Variable	es:		
Variable	Definition		
Age	Age at the index date. Get date of birth from RPDB. Age groups are 66-74 and 75+.		
Sex	Get the patient's sex from RPDB.		
Diuretics were	Within the 3 years prior to the index date, there was at least one inpatient		
prescribed for something other	hospitalization with a most responsible diagnosis one of the following:		
than hypertension	Exclusion diagnosis	ICD-10-CA codes	
	heart failure	150	
	migraine	G43	
	ischaemic heart disease	I20, I21, I22, I23, I24, I25	
	Paroxysmal tachycardia, other cardiac arrhythmias	147, 149	
	cerebral infarction (stroke), stroke not specified as haemorrhage or infarction	I63, I64	
	some transient cerebral ischaemic	G450, G451, G452,	
	attacks and related syndromes	G453, G458, G459	
	some codes for vascular syndromes of	G464, G465, G466, G467	
	brain in cerebrovascular diseases		
	Chronic nephritic syndrome	N03	
	chronic renal failure, unspecified renal failure	N18, N19	
	Alcoholic cirrhosis of liver, primary	K703, K743, K744,	
	biliary cirrhosis, secondary biliary	K745, K746	
	cirrhosis, biliary cirrhosis, unspecified,		
	other and unspecified cirrhosis of liver	105	
D: 1 :1	Oesophageal varices	185	
Diagnosed with diabetes at any time prior to the index date	ODD variable DIAGDATE is prior to or	on the index date	
Success	A list of the thiazide drugs is found in /home/kinwah/data/ohqc/efficient/thiazide/din_thiazide.sas7bdat, a copy of /home/ruth/data/merrick/thiazide/din_thiazide.sas7bdat. A drug is considered to be a thiazide drug if variable THIAZIDE = 1 in this dataset.		
	A thiazide is either a drug whose only active ingredient is some for thiazide, or a drug which contains a thiazide plus (amiloride, triamtor spironolactone). The reason we count these combination drugs a thiazides is that the second ingredient (which is also a diuretic) is included because it is "potassium sparing". Thiazides tend to deple body of potassium, and so the second drug is included to counteract effect. That is, the second drug is not there because it is a diuretic, a is there to help the body retain potassium.		





Details of Variable	riables: Definition
	"Success" occurs if the only prescription from the included_drug_list which was filled on the index date was a thiazide. (You may find two prescriptions, both for a thiazide. Sometimes when a doctor wants to use a dose which is mid-way between two available doses, the doctor will prescribe one prescription at the low dose and one at the high dose, and tell the patient to take one of each. As long as the only prescriptions from the inclusion list which were filled on the index date are for drugs on the din_thiazide list, this is a "success".)
	→ There will be a few people who filled one prescription for a thiazide and a separate prescription for amiloride, triamterene, or spironolactone (DRUGNAME = AMILORIDE HCL, AMILORIDE HCL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE, TRIAMTERENE, TRIAMTERENE HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE, SPIRONOLACTONE, or SPIRONOLACTONE HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE). These should be counted as a "success", as if they were taking one of the combination drugs that contained thiazide plus a potassium sparing diurestic.
	If the drugname is "AMILORIDE HCL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE" or if it is "TRIAMTERENE HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE" or "SPIRONOLACTONE HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE" then it is already counted as a thiazide drug in the din_thiazide dataset. However, some doctors, instead of prescribing one of these "combination" drugs, wrote two prescriptions: one prescription for a thiazide and a separate prescription for amiloride, triamterene, or spironolactone. Normally, if we see the patient filling a prescription for a thiazide plus a second prescription for a different diuretic, we would count this as a "failure". However, if the second prescription happens to be one of these three (and if there aren't any additional drugs) then it counts as a "success".
	So, you only have to double-check for AMILORIDE HCL, TRIAMTERENE, and SPIRONOLACTONE on their own. "Failure" occurs if the patient fills a prescription for a diuretic which is not a thiazide OR if the patient fills a prescription for a thiazide but also fills a prescription for one of the other drugs on the list.

[#]Please see Appendices B and C – Inclusion and exclusion drug list.





2.8: Integrated

2.8.2 Proportion of patients with strokes who get rehabilitation services

Indicator title	Percentage of Ontario stroke patients discharged from acute care to		
	inpatient rehabilitation, by local health integration network, 2005/06		
Data sources (for	DAD		
descriptions see section	NRS		
4.2)	RPDB		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	Inpatient hospitalization with a most responsible diagnosis of stroke (either pre-admission or post-admission), with episode ending in fiscal year 2005/06. For index event, stroke ICD10 codes are: I60, I61, I63, I64. This is the index event and we will link this to find all related discharges in an episode by using the variable EPI.		
	Exclude:		
	Invalid health card number or non-Onta	rio residents	
	missing age/sex		
	age < 20 or age > 105 patient died in hospital		
	previous stroke		
	μ	le LOS for stroke, and the	
	LOS > 30 days (this is the 90th percentile LOS for stroke, and the		
	patient is not a good candidate for rehab so long after the stroke)		
	transferred from specific facility discharged after March 31, 2006		
	discharged after iviarch 51, 2000		
	Include:		
	Pre-admission and post-admission strokes		
Numerator	Direct discharge to rehab facility		
(Subset of denominator;	Direct discharge to reliau facility		
restricted as follows:)			
Rates:			
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by:	Rate for fiscal year 2005/06	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	
Details of Variables:			
Variable	Definition		
	Date of birth from RPDB. Age at the discharge date of the episode.		
	Get the patient's sex from RPDB		
	VALIKN \neq V or the first two characters are NOT between '01' and		
	'50' or are equal to '22'.		
	Variable DISCHDISP = '07' at the end of episode of care		
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Details of Variables:	
Variable	Definition
hospital	
Episode length of stay (LOS)	LOS is computed as follows: Compute difference between index admission date and the latest discharge date from the episode Subtract the ALOS (Alternate care LOS) of the last admission (i.e.
	the one with the latest discharge) in the episode
Previous stroke	Look back for 3 years (3 * 365 = 1,095 days) from the discharge date of the index episode for any discharge with diagnosis code I60, I62, I63, or I64 in any diagnosis type.
	Note: Stroke is identified from a most responsible diagnosis of 'I60', 'I61', 'I63', 'I64'. The definition does not include 'I62' nor 'G45'. However, when excluding people with an earlier stroke, add I62.
Transferred from	The variable INSTFTYP from the index event = $2, 3, 4, 5, 7, \text{ or } 9$
specific facility	 2 general rehab hospital 3 chronic hospital 4 nursing home 5 psychiatric hospital
	7 special rehabilitation hospital
Direct discharge to rehab facility	Discharge to rehab, defined two ways: The final discharge from the episode was to a rehab hospital (instttyp 2 or 7) There was a rehab admission (NRS) after the index admission and not later than (2 days after the episode discharge) NOTE: The tables are based on the second, NRS-based definition.
	Allowing 48 hours from discharge until admission in rehab matches the 48 hours used to define a single episode of care in an acute care hospital. The 48 hour rule in the acute care hospital episode of care applies to instances where the discharge and re-admission refer to the same institution. In the case of acute care hospitals which have special rehab units, the two institution numbers are not the same (e.g. Kingston General Hospital acute care inst number is 1100, their special rehab inst number is 1101). Rather than trying to match up acute care and rehab inst numbers, just apply a 2-day rule.





2.9: Focused on Population Health

2.9.4 Risk factors

Indicator title	Percentage of Ontarians experiencing food insecurity, by income deciles, 2005		
Data sources (for descriptions see section 4.2)	CCHS 3.1		
The Indicator:			
Denominator (population) description	All respondents weighted by the survey weight Exclude: < 20 years > 105 years		
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	Reporting food insecurity		
Rates:			
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by:	Overall for each survey cycle. For CCHS 3.1 only: Household income distribution	
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100	

Details of Variables:

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Variable	Definition
Age	The variable is DHHE_AGE.
Household income	The variable is INCEDRPR.
distribution	
Survey weights	Survey weights are needed to calculate weighted rates.
	The variable is WTSE_S.
Reporting food	Yes if variable FSCEDHFS = 1, 2, or 3
insecurity	
	Variable FSCEDHFS has 4 levels:
	0 = secure,
	1 = food insecure without hunger,
	2 = food insecure with moderate hunger,
	3 = food insecure with severe hunger.
	1 means some members of the household worried about running out of
	food or compromised their diets by choosing less desirable or less
	expensive food.
	2 means adults in the household experienced hunger repeatedly in the
	previous year
	3 means adults experienced hunger more often and their children also

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Variable	Definition
	experienced hunger
	We should find approx. 3.3% of Ontarians age 12+ are insecure without hunger, approx. 2.5% are insecure with moderate hunger, and approx. 0.3% are insecure with severe hunger. See https://www.phsa.ca/NR/rdonlyres/76D687CF-6596-46FE-AA9A-A536D61FB038/24932/PHSAreportfoodinsecurityfinal.pdf page 16.

Indicator title	Percentage of Ontarians, w vegetables, by income deci	ho report not eating enough fruit and iles, 2005
Data sources (for descriptions see section 4.2)	CCHS 3.1	
The Indicator:		
Denominator (population) description	All respondents weighted by the survey weight	
	Exclude:	
	< 20 years	
	> 105 years	
Numerator (Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	Reporting inadequate fruit and vegetable consumption	
Rates:		
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rate(s) by:	Overall for each survey cycle. For CCHS 3.1 only: Household income distribution
	Unit of Rate(s) per:	100

Details of Variables:

Variable	Definition
Age	The variable is DHHE_AGE.
Household income distribution	The variable is INCEDRPR.
Survey weights	Survey weights are needed to calculated weighted rates. The variable is WTSE_S.
Reporting inadequate fruit and vegetable	Yes if variable FVCEGTOT = 1
consumption	Variable FVCEGTOT has 3 levels:
	1 = less than 5 servings of fruit and vegetables per day,
	2=5 to 10,
	3= more than 10.





Indicator title		Percentage of Ontarians with heart disease or diabetes who smoke daily or are obese, 2001, 2003 and 2005			
Data sources (for	CCHS 1.1	CCHS 1.1, 2.1, 3.1			
descriptions see section	4.2)	CC115 1.1, 2.1, 5.1			
The Indicator:					
Denominator (population description	Had heart d Had heart d Had diabete Exclude: < 20 years				
N.T.		> 105 years			
Numerator (Subset of denominators	• ,		ey weight) defined two ways:		
(Subset of denominator; restricted as follows:)	Daily or oc Overweigh Obese	Daily smokers Daily or occasional smokers Overweight (weighted by the survey weight) defined two ways: Obese Overweight or obese			
Rates:					
Crude Rate Calculation	Crude Rat	e(s) by:	Overall for each survey cycle		
	Unit of Ra	te(s) per:	100		
Details of Variables:	<u> </u>		<u> </u>		
Variable	Definition				
Smoking Status 1					
(daily)	In CCHS1.1:	1 if SMKADSTY = 0 otherwise	= 1 (daily smoker)		
	In CCHS2.1:	1 if SMKCDSTY = 0 otherwise	, ,		
	In CCHS3.1:	1 if SMKEDSTY = 0 otherwise	1 (daily smoker)		
Smoking status 2 (daily or occasional)	In CCHS1.1:	daily smoker))	2 (occasional smoker (former		
		daily smoker or < 1 cigarettes i	3 (occasional smoker (never 00 n lifetime))		
		0 otherwise			





V1.1.	D - C :4:				
Variable	Definition				
	In CCHS2.1:	1 if SMKCDSTY	` •	,	
			2 (occasional sr	moker (former	
		daily smoker))			
		=	3 (occasional sr	moker (never	
		daily smoker or <	100		
		cigarettes	in lifetime))		
		0 otherwise	,,		
	In CCHS3.1:	1 if SMKEDSTY	= 1 (daily smok	ters)	
		=	2 (occasional sr	moker (former	
		daily smoker))	•	·	
		=	3 (occasional sr	moker (never	
		daily smoker or <	100	`	
		cigarettes	in lifetime))		
		0 otherwise	,,		
Overweight / obese:	In CCHS 3.1:				
8		DISW categorizes a	dults by BMI ir	nto underweight.	
		overweight, and obe			. II.
	or III).		20 (00000 -2 -11-1		,,
Overweight	1 if overweight of	or obese			
(overweight or	0 if underweight				
obese)	o ii uiiu oi ii oigiio	01 110111141			
Obese	1 if obese	1 if ohese			
00000		, normal, or overwe	ight		
Heart Disease		present when the an		stion "do vou have	
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		e variable name is C	CCA 121		
		e variable name is C	_		
		e variable name is C			
Diabetes		mined using question		e diahetes"	
Diaocics		answered "yes" to	•		en
		agnosed with diaber			CII
		than during pregnar			r
		have diabetes", the			L
	loid you mat you	i nave diabetes, the	in they do INOT	nave diabetes.	
	Question	CCHS1.1	CCHS2.1	CCHS3.1	
	Do you have	CCCA 101	CCCC 101	CCCE 101	
	diabetes?	CCCA_101	CCCC_101	CCCE_101	
		CCCA 10	CCCC 10A	CCCE 10A	
	Diabetes when	CCCA_10	CCCC_10A	CCCE_10A	
	pregnant?	A CCCA 10	CCCC 10D	CCCE 10D	
	Diabetes	CCCA_10	CCCC_10B	CCCE_10B	
	diagnosed other	r B			
	than pregnant?				





Variable	Definition
Age	In CCHS1.1: The variable is dhha_age. In CCHS2.1: The variable is dhhc_age. In CCHS3.1: The variable is dhhe_age.
Household income distribution	The variable is lncedrpr in CCHS3.1
Survey weights	We are to calculate weighted rates and this is why we need the survey weights. In CCHS3.1: The variable is wtse_s.





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Appendix A – Beers drug list

ACETAMINOPHEN & CAFFEINE & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PHENYLEPHRINE HYDROCHLORIDE

ACETAMINOPHEN & CHLORPHENIRAMINE & CODEINE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE

ACETAMINOPHEN & CHLORPHENIRAMINE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE

ACETAMINOPHEN & CHLORPHENIRAMINE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE COMPOUND

ACETAMINOPHEN & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & DEXTROM

ACETAMINOPHEN & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL

ACETAMINOPHEN & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE

HYDROCHLORIDE & VITAMIN C

ACETAMINOPHEN & DEXTROMETHORPHAN & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE

ACETAMINOPHEN & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

ACETAMINOPHEN & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & PHENYLEPHRINE HCL &

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

ACETAMINOPHEN & DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL

ACETAMINOPHEN & GUAIFENESIN & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

ACETAMINOPHEN & PHENYLEPHRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE HCL

ACETAMINOPHEN & PHENYLEPHRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

ACETAMINOPHEN & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

ACETAMINOPHEN & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE COMPOUND

ACETAMINOPHEN & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE & CHLORPHENIRAMINE

ACETAMINOPHEN & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE & DEXTROMETHORPHAN &

CHLORPHENIRAMINE

ACETAMINOPHEN & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE

ACETAMINOPHEN & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

ACETYLSALICYCLIC ACID & CAFFEINE & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PHENYLEPHRINE HCL

AMITRIPTYLINE HCL

AMITRIPTYLINE HCL & BACLOFEN

AMITRIPTYLINE PAMOATE

AMITRIPTYLINE/COMBINATION

AMMONIUM CHLORIDE & CODEINE PHOSPHATE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL

AMMONIUM CHLORIDE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL & DEXTROMETHORPHAN

AMMONIUM CHLORIDE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR

BELLADONNA ALKALOIDS

BELLADONNA ALKALOIDS & PECTIN & KAOLIN COMPOUND

BELLADONNA ALKALOIDS & PHENOBARBITAL

CAFFEINE & ACETYLSALICYLIC ACID & DEXTROPROPOXYPHENE HYDROCHLORIDE

CALAMINE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL

CALAMINE & ZINC OXIDE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL

CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE & ESTERIFIED ESTROGENS

CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE & PENTAERYTHRITOL TETRANITRATE





CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE HCL

CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE HCL & CLIDINIUM BROMIDE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE & DEXTROMETHORPHAN & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE & ACETAMINOPHEN

CHLORPHENIRAMINE & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE & DEXTROMETHORPHAN

CHLORPHENIRAMINE & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE & GUAIFENESIN

CHLORPHENIRAMINE & POLISTIREX & CODEINE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & ASA

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & ASA & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HYDROBROMIDE &

PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HYDROCHLORIDE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & EPINEPHRINE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PHENYLEPHRINE HYDROCHLORIDE &

ACETAMINOPHEN

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL & CODEINE

PHOSPHATE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & ACETAMINOPHEN

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HYDROCHLORIDE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE SULFATE

CHLORPHENIRAMINE/DEXCHLOR/PLUS 1&2

CHLORPROPAMIDE

CIMETIDINE

CIMETIDINE HYDROCHLORIDE

CLONIDINE HCL

CLORAZEPATE DIPOTASSIUM

CODEINE & CHLORPHENIRAMINE & EPHEDRINE & PHENYLTOLOXAMINE

CODEINE PHOSPHATE & PROMETHAZINE HCL & POTASSIUM GUAIACOLSULFONATE

*CONJUGATED ESTROGENS

CYPROHEPTADINE HCL

CYPROHEPTADINE HYDROCHLORIDE

DEXCHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

DEXTROMETHORPHAN & CHLORPHENIRAMINE & PHENYLEPHRINE & GUAIFENESIN

DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & CHLORPHENIRAMINE

DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE

DEXTROPROPOXYPHENE HCL

DEXTROPROPOXYPHENE NAPSYLATE & ASA & CAFFEINE

DIAZEPAM

DIAZEPAM & METHYLCELLULOSE

DICYCLOMINE HCL

DICYCLOMINE HCL & PHENOBARBITAL

DICYCLOMINE PLUS CMPD

DIPHENHYDRAMINE & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & AMMONIUM CHLORIDE

DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL

DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE





DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL & MENTHOL

DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL

DISOPYRAMIDE

DOXEPIN HCL

ERGOTAMINE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE

*ESTERIFIED ESTROGENS

*ESTRADIOL

*ESTRONE

*ESTROPIPATE

*ETHINYL ESTRADIOL

FLUOXETINE HCL

FLURAZEPAM HCL

FLURAZEPAM HYDROCHLORIDE

HYDROXYZINE HCL

IBUPROFEN & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

INDOMETHACIN

MEPERIDINE HCL

MESORIDAZINE BESYLATE

METHAQUALONE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE HCL

METHYLDOPA

METHYLDOPA & CLOROTHIAZIDE

METHYLDOPA & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE

METHYLDOPATE HCL

NIFEDIPINE

ORPHENADRINE & ASA & CAFFEINE

ORPHENADRINE CITRATE

ORPHENADRINE HCL

PENICILLIN & DIHYDROSTREPTOMYCIN & DIPHEMANIL METHYLSULFATE & PROCAINE

HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

PENTAZOCINE

PENTAZOCINE PLUS

PENTOBARBITAL SODIUM

PERPHENAZINE & AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE

PHENYLEPHRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & ASA

PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & ASA

PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & ASA & CAFFEINE

PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & ASA COMPOUND

PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE &

ACETAMINOPHEN

PREDNISONE & CHLORPHENIRAMINE COMPOUND

PROMETHAZINE HCL

PROMETHAZINE HCL & DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR & PSEUDOEPHEDRINE

PROMETHAZINE HCL & PETHIDINE HCL

PROMETHAZINE HCL & PHENYLEPHRINE HCL & POTASSIUM GUAIACOLSULFONATE

PROMETHAZINE HCL & PHENYLEPHRINE HCL & POTASSIUM GUAIACOLSULFONATE & CODE





PROMETHAZINE HCL & POTASSIUM GUAIACOLSULFONATE

PROPANTHELINE BROMIDE

PROPOXYPHENE HCL

PROPOXYPHENE HCL & ASA & CAFFEINE

PROPOXYPHENE NAPSYLATE

PROPOXYPHENE PLAIN

PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE M

PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE

PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & ASCORBIC ACID

PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & CHLORPHENIRAMINE MALEATE & DEXTROMETHORPHAN &

GUAIFENESIN

PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HCL & DIPHENHYDRAMINE

SECOBARBITAL SODIUM

THIORIDAZINE HCL

THYROID

TICLOPIDINE HCL

TRIPELENNAMINE HCL

*UNCLASSED THERAPEUTIC

^{*}Hormone replacement drugs were excluded





Appendix B - Inclusion list

Subclass name	Generic drug name
ACE Inhibitors	BENAZEPRIL
	CAPTOPRIL
	CILAZAPRIL
	ENALAPRIL
	FOSINOPRIL
	LISINOPRIL
	PERINDOPRIL
	QUINAPRIL
	RAMIPRIL
	TRANDOLAPRIL
Angiotensin II Inhibitors	CANDESARTAN
8	EPROSARTAN
	IRBESARTAN
	LOSARTAN
	TELMISARTAN
	VALSARTAN
Beta Blockers	ACEBUTOLOL
	ATENOLOL
	BISOPROLOL
	LABETALOL
	METOPROLOL
	NADOLOL
	OXPRENOLOL
	PINDOLOL
	PROPRANOLOL
	TIMOLOL
Calcium Channel Blockers	AMLODIPINE
	DILTIAZEM
	FELODIPINE
	NICARDIPINE
	NIFEDIPINE
	NIMODIPINE
	VERAPAMIL
Diuretics	AMILORIDE
	CHLORTHALIDONE
	HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	INDAPAMIDE
	TRIAMTERENE
	SPIRONOLACTONE
	AMILORIDE HCL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	SPIRONOLACTONE & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	TRIAMTERENE & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
Combination Agents	ATENOLOL & CHLORTHALIDONE





Subclass name	Generic drug name
	BENAZEPRIL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	CANDESARTAN & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	CHLORTHALIDONE & RESERPINE
	CILAZAPRIL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	ENALAPRIL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	FELODIPINE & METROPROLOL
	FELODIPINE & RAMIPRIL
	IRBESARTAN & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	LISINOPRIL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	LOSARTAN & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	METHYLDOPA & CLOROTHIAZIDE
	METHYLDOPA & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	NADOLOL & BENDROFLUMETHIAZIDE
	PERINDOPRIL & INDAPAMIDE
	PINDOLOL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	PROPRANOLOL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	QUINAPRIL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	RESERPINE & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	TELMISARTAN & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	TIMOLOL & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	VALSARTAN & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE
	VERAPAMIL & TRANDOLAPRIL





Appendix C - Exclusion list

Subclass name	Generic drug name
ANTI-ARRHYTHMIA	ADENOSINE
	AMIDIORONE HCL
	AMIODARONE HCL
	BRETYLIUM TOSYLATE
	DISOPYRAMIDE
	FLECAINIDE ACETATE
	MEXILETINE HCL
	PROCAINAMIDE HCL
	PROPAFENONE HCL
	QUINIDINE BISULFATE
	QUINIDINE GLUCONATE
	QUINIDINE PHENYLETHYLBARBITURATE
	QUINIDINE POLYGALACTURONATE
	QUINIDINE SULFATE
	SOTALOL HCL, TOCAINIDE HCL
ANTIHYPERTENSIVES	DEBRISOQUINE SULFATE
DIGITALIS PREPARATIONS	DIGITOXIN
	DIGOXIN
DIURETICS	METOLAZONE
	ETHACRYNATE SODIUM
	ETHACRYNIC ACID
	FUROSEMIDE
VASODILATORS	ISOSORBIDE DINITRATE
	ISOSORBIDE-5-MONONITRATE
	NITROGLYCERIN
MIGRAINES THERAPY	FLUNARIZINE HCL, NARATRIPTAN HCL
	RIZATRIPTAN BENZOATE
	SUMATRIPTAN SUCCINATE
	ZOLMITRIPTAN
	DIHYDROERGOCORNINE METHANESULFONATE
	DIHYDROERGOTAMINE MESYLATE
	ERGOTAMINE
	ERGOTAMINE & CYCLIZINE
	ERGOTAMINE & DIPHENHYDRAMINE
	ERGOTAMINE & PENTOBARBITAL COMPOUND
	ERGOTAMINE COMPOUND
	ERGOTAMINE TARTRATE
	ERGOTAMINE TARTRATE & CAFFEINE
	ERGOTAMINE/DIMENHYDRINATE
ANTITHYROID AGENTS	METHIMAZOLE
	PROPYLTHIOURACIL





Endnote

1 Kralj, B. (2000). Measuring "rurality" for purposes of health-care planning: an empirical measure for Ontario. *Ontario Medical Review*, October, 33-49.

² In all cases, the approach used follows the data privacy and confidentiality policies of ICES and the Ministry of Health and Long-term Care for Ontario.

³ Please note mistake in 2008 OHQC Report – the correct data source for this indicator is Hospital Reports Research Collaborative not CIHI.