Acute Care Bundle Improvement Initiative

What is the Acute Care Bundle Improvement (ACBI) Initiative?

A provincially coordinated quality improvement (QI) project that integrates eight evidence-based QI initiatives, including:

- CoACT Collaborative Care
- Elder-Friendly Care (EFC)
- Enhanced Recovery After Surgery (ERAS)
- Home to Hospital to Home (H2H2H)
- Pressure Injury Prevention (PIP)
- Condition-specific order sets for Cirrhosis and ERAS
- CAREPATH for Heart Failure and COPD

How does it fit within Connect Care?

Physician-specific actions completed by physicians with every patient, every time are embedded in Connect Care and serve four areas of focus:

- Expected Discharge Date
- Mobility
- Transitions in care
- Condition-specific clinical pathways & care paths

How will it benefit patients & healthcare providers?

The ACBI Initiative is about getting evidence into practice and applying practices efficiently and consistently to **improve quality of care and patient outcomes**. It:

- ✓ Streamlines processes and workflows for **every patient, every time**
- ✓ Integrates practice changes into daily workflows using Connect Care tools
- ✓ Optimizes patient care while making it easier for care providers to implement practice changes
- ✓ Simplifies and standardizes admissions, daily care routines, discharge and transition steps that care providers perform with every patient
- ✓ Streamlines implementation and supports physicians by providing a coordinated, integrated approach, reducing overlap and confusion around multiple initiatives
- ✓ Allows physicians to focus on key metrics that cover all eight initiatives over an extended period. Key metrics can be introduced and adapted with the aim of improving uptake in a manageable, phased approach that considers feasibility and integration into daily workflows.
- ✓ Links with Know Your Data, providing a framework to share data and support Hospitalists and General Internal Medicine physicians in improving quality of care and patient outcomes.

For additional information, see the ACBI FAQs.

Site Priorities & Plans

Every Patient, Every Time — Foundational Care Bundle

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Patient Specific — Clinical Pathways

Implementation Science/Knowledge Translation
Process Improvement & Change Management

- CoACT Collaborative Care
- Home to Hospital to Home
- Pressure Injury Prevention
- Elder-Friendly Care (for older adults)

Medicine
- Heart Failure, COPD, Cirrhosis
Surgery
- Enhanced Recovery After Surgery & Surgical Best Practices

Evidence Based

Customized Implementation
Sites supported by provincial programs: Refresh or implement practices and processes to meet ALOS/ELOS and ALC targets.

Goal
Improved quality outcomes for patients, for providers, and for the system.

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