RNAO’s Best Practice Guidelines Program

Canadian Foundation for Healthcare Improvement CEO’s Forum

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Health System Effectiveness

Optimal Health Outcomes

Evidence-based practice and policy
Full scope of practice utilization
Inter-professional practice

Access
Person Centredness
RNAO Best Practice Guideline Program

Program Mandate

Funded by MOHLTC to:
Develop, disseminate, and actively support the uptake of evidence-based Clinical Nursing & Healthy Work Environment best practice guidelines (BPGs); and to evaluate their impact in patient/organizational and health system outcomes.
ELEMENTS OF THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING, IMPLEMENTING AND EVALUATING CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES.
CPGs and HWE BPGs: Key Highlights

- 38 Clinical Guidelines and 9 HWE BPGs
- Nursing Order Sets
- Implementation Toolkit
- Translations in French, Spanish, Italian, Mandarin, Japanese.
- Health Education Fact Sheets
- PDA and Clinical Support Applications
- Apps for iPhone, iTouch & Blackberry
- 68 provincial, national and international BPSOs that represent 293 sites
- 10,116 BPG Champions
- Champion workshops
- E-learnings
- Week long In-Residence Institutes
- PhD Fellowships ($25,000x3yrs.)
- RNAO/University of Ottawa Nursing Best Practice Research Centre (NBPRC)
- RNAO Global BPG Users Inventory
- Extensive Media exposure

Multiple partnerships:
- Academic institutions
- Service organizations
- Governments
- NGOs (i.e., HSF, ICN)
- Business (i.e., POS)
Implementation Strategies

– Individual Level
– Organizational Level
– Systems Level
  • Provincial
  • National
  • International
Best Practice Spotlight Organization (BPSO)

- 3-year formal partnership with RNAO through RFP process
- Bi-annual reports to RNAO
- Annual Knowledge Exchange Symposium
- Monthly update/networking teleconferences
- Process & outcomes research
  - Focus on client outcomes
  - Focus on process of BPG implementation
  - BPSO Research related to guideline implementation
  - Profiling of and capacity building for nursing research in health service organizations
Organizational Strategy: BPSO
Nursing Quality Indicators for Reporting and Evaluation (NQuIRE)
Knowledge to Action Process
(Graham et al., 2006)

Improved quality health care through use of nurse-sensitive indicators and related data, based on implementation of RNAO BPGs, to impact practice management and policy decisions, education and health system research.
Ministers Award of Excellence – Quality and Patient Safety

Canadian Dental Association: Oral Health Promotion Award

STTI Inaugural International Practice/Academe Collaboration Award
THANK YOU!
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RNAR BPG Program: Bringing Evidence to the Point of Care to Impact Outcomes.