

Application Form Question Summary: Community Based Specialists (without privileges or active affiliations with Island Health)

Note: These are the questions from the application form only – to submit your application, you will need to submit your answers through the digital [Cohort 10 Application Form](#) by **March 7, 2025**.

*Required

Applicant Details
1. Full name*
2. Email address*
3. Secondary email address (if applicable)
4. Assistant's email address (if applicable)
5. Phone number*
6. Community you practice in*
7. Designation*
8. Specialty or Area of Practice*
9. Do you work in a Solo or Multi-physician practice?*
10. Please describe any formal medical leadership roles you hold within the community.
Motivations and Expectations
11. What (if any) previous Quality Improvement experience and/or formal education do you have?*
<p>Select all that apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PQI Level 1 training (IHI Open School Q101, Q102, Q103 and Dr. Berwick's video) • PQI Level 2 training (Island Health 1-2 day PQI Fundamentals Training) • Physician Leadership Program (PLP) at the Sauder School of Business • None of the above • Other:
12. What are your top 3 reasons for applying to the PQI Level 3 Cohort training?*
13. How might you incorporate QI into your clinical work or future career plans?*
The Problem or Gap in Care
14. What is the patient-centered problem or gap in care that you want to address through your QI project?*
<p>A QI project is all about testing a number of different ideas/approaches to solve a problem that is specific to your local experience and team. It needs to be a solvable problem, but there's no need to have or know a solution.</p> <p>Tip: Outline what the issue is, who it involves, where it occurs, and what impact it has.</p>
15. How do you know that this is a problem or gap in care?*
<p>Do you have documented patient feedback? What data have you accessed (or have access to) to understand this problem? Who else has identified that this is a problem?</p> <p>Application Selection Criteria include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the applicant describe potential to improve healthcare quality in a measurable way?

<p>16. Why is this problem or gap in care important to your patients and/or your area of work?*</p> <p>Applicant Selection Criteria include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is there a focus on improving dimension(s) of quality from a systems' perspective (as per the BC Health Quality Matrix)?
<p>17. List all team members or key partners who could help you address this gap in care.*</p> <p>Applicant Selection Criteria include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the aptitude for building and participating in teams?
<p>Sponsorship and Alignment</p> <p><i>We require that each QI project has at least one specific operational leader who specifically supports or 'sponsors' the project.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Operational leaders/sponsors are directly responsible for the staff you need to involve in the QI project or hold other resources (e.g., equipment, technology, supplies) key to the success of the project.</i> <p>In a community clinic or individual practice, this is usually an Office Manager or other similar role.</p>
<p>Who have you identified as your operational leader/sponsor?</p>
<p>18. Full name*</p>
<p>19. Email</p>
<p>20. Position/Role</p>
<p>21. Describe your connection or level of engagement with this operational leader/sponsor.*</p> <p>Select all that apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I haven't ever been in contact with this person I have been in contact with this person prior to my interest in PQI I have had a conversation with this person about my interest in leading a QI project in the area they support I am not sure this is the right operational leader/sponsor for this QI project and need some direction Other:
<p><i>We require that each QI project has at least one specific senior leader/executive who specifically supports or 'sponsors' the project.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Senior leaders/executive sponsors have the overall responsibility for the operation and administration of the organization. They can ensure your QI project is successfully integrated into clinical operations.</i> <p>In a community clinic or individual practice, this is usually the Medical Lead of the practice. In a solo specialist practice, where the project lead does not require a senior leader for successful integration, we suggest engaging with a colleague with a similar practice to fill this role.</p>
<p>Who have you identified as your senior leader/executive sponsor?</p>
<p>22. Full name*</p>
<p>23. Email</p>

24. Position/Role
25. Describe your connection or level of engagement with this operational leader/sponsor.* Select all that apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I haven't ever been in contact with this person• I have been in contact with this person prior to my interest in PQI• I have had a conversation with this person about my interest in leading a QI project in the area they support• I am not sure this is the right operational leader/sponsor for this QI project and need some direction• Other:
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26. PQI works with medical students each year. Are you interested in involving a student in your QI work project?*
27. There are multiple sources of funding improvement initiatives. If you are currently receiving any funding related to the problem/gap in care that you want to address, please describe.