

PHYSICIAN QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (PQI) COHORT 9 (2024-25)

Name	Specialty	Community	QI Project Area of Interest
Marie-Claude Gregoire	Pediatrician	Victoria	Improving pediatric palliative care services in the Neonatal Intensive Care Units/Pediatric Intensive Care Units at Victoria General Hospital (VGH) through strengthening pathways with Canucks Place.
Al Hayashi & Jacques Smit	General Surgeon & Anesthetist	Victoria	General aim around increasing morale in the Operating Rooms at Victoria General Hospital (VGH).
Chris Harper & Barbara Lej Garolla Di Bard	Pediatricians	Victoria	Improving the pediatric referral process by initiating referrals to appropriate providers as early as possible.
Ryan Hoskins	Emergency Medicine	Port Alberni	(still confirming project focus through staff engagement around problem areas)
Adam Hoverman	Family Practice	Nanaimo	Increasing the number of patients who identify and reflect on personal care preferences through the use of the "What Matters to Me Workbook" at the Wellington Medical Clinic in Nanaimo.
Vamshi Kotha	Interventional Radiology	Victoria	Improving the percentage of Medical Imaging South Island patients who receive core biopsies within 2-weeks from initial diagnosis of incidentally detected cancer on imaging.
Kalen Leech-Porter	Emergency Medicine	Duncan	Improving care for patients who present to the Cowichan District Hospital (CDH) Emergency Department (ED) with a hip fracture through better pain management using femoral nerve blocks.
Zaneta Lim	Pediatrician	Nanaimo	Improving access and appropriate care services at the Pediatric Ambulatory Care Clinic at Nanaimo Regional General Hospital (NRGH).
Martin Lipinski	Emergency Medicine	Duncan	Improving access to appropriate hearing assistance for elderly patients who present to the Cowichan District Hospital (CDH) Emergency Department (ED) (<i>to be confirmed</i>)
Jenny Rajala	Cardiologist	Victoria	Improving access for urgent patients on cardiology waitlist in the Island Health region through changing the referral and triaging systems at the Pulse C3 Clinic in Victoria.
Mikaela Robertson	Nurse Practitioner, Cardiology	Victoria	Improving screening of (and follow-up with) depression, anxiety and other mental health challenges to patients' post-cardiac surgery.
Trish Snozyk	Family Practice	Victoria	General aim around improving Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) group medical visits, looking at attendance attrition throughout the visit series as a possible aim.
Michelle Tousignant	Emergency Medicine	Victoria	Partnering with Claremont Secondary School to improve awareness of the signs of Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) and reducing time to defibrillation through simulation training.
Jake Wilkins	Emergency Medicine	Victoria	Reducing unnecessary fasting for patients admitted to the Trauma Service at Royal Jubilee Hospital (RJH) who are waiting for surgery.