

Physician Quality Improvement (PQI) Cohort 10 (2025-26)

Name	Specialty	Community	Project Area of Interest
Dr. Sameen Ahmed	Family Practitioner – Rural Health	Campbell River/ Quadra Island	By June 30, 2026, participating Campbell River Outreach Team clinicians will have tested 80% of patients for Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) antibody who have not been tested within the last year.
Dr. Jeff Bishop, Dr. Elspeth McGregor & Tyler Bevan	Pediatric Emergency Medicine; Neonatology; Access and Flow	Victoria	<i>Group Project:</i> By June 2026, increase the proportion of pediatric and neonatal (0–2 years) interfacility transports completed by trained transport-certified nurses to ≥50% for Nanaimo Regional General Hospital (NRGH) and Victoria General Hospital (VGH), improving adherence to best practice and reducing reliance on ad hoc escort teams.
Dr. Fraser Black	Family Practitioner – Palliative Care	Victoria	By June 30, 2026, increase Advance Care Planning documentation to 25 residents at Mount Edwards Court (Cool Aid Society), with documentation completed in both client charts and Cerner PowerChart.
Dr. Sharon Choopa & Dr. Zaneta Lim	Pediatrician	Nanaimo	<i>Group Project:</i> By June 30, 2026, the average wait times for paediatric outpatient referrals triaged to be seen in 1 month will decrease from 59 days to 31 days.
Dr. Mohammed Sarhan & Dr. Xiaofeng Ding	Lab - Medical Microbiologist	Victoria	<i>Group Project:</i> By June 30, 2026, reduce the proportion of patients with Gram-negative bacteremia (GNB) who receive follow-up blood cultures (FUBC) at Royal Jubilee Hospital (RJH) from a baseline median of 56% to ≤40%.
Dr. Adrienne Duimering	Ophthalmology	Victoria	In a community ophthalmology practice in Victoria, we aim to reduce the proportion of patients lost to follow-up to 5% or less within 6 months , by implementing and optimizing a follow-up management system that is efficient, patient-accessible, and sustainable.
Dr. Karen Johnsson & Dr. Sonja Mathes	Family Practitioner; Orthopaedic Surgeon	Victoria	<i>Group Project:</i> By June 2026, 95% eligible, interested and appropriately referred patients complete the Presurgical Resilience and Optimization Program (PROP) at least 4-6 weeks prior to surgery.
Dr. John Kim	Family Practitioner – Student Wellness	Victoria	By May 31, 2026, 100% of the non-urgent referrals will be sent within 7 days for students who access care with Dr. John Kim at the Student Wellness Centre at the University of Victoria (UVic).
Dr. Martin Lipinski	Emergency Medicine	Duncan	By June 30, 2026, decrease Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS) 3 patient wait times for patients at the Cowichan District Hospital's (CDH) Emergency Room by 20%.
Dr. Stephanie Niles & Rebecca McGregor	Emergency Medicine; Clinical Operations NRGH	Nanaimo	By June 30, 2026, reduce the time from arrival to a final care decision (admit, discharge, or transfer) to 5 hours for patients aged 65 and older in the triage holding area at the Nanaimo Regional General Hospital (NRGH) Emergency Department.
Dr. Jill Stone	Plastic Surgery	Nanaimo	By April 30, 2026, increase the number of in-office skin biopsies by 200%, reducing inappropriate use of hospital resources for unconfirmed skin cancers.
Dr. Alison Tedder	Anaesthesiologist	Victoria	By June 30, 2026, reduce reported anxiety by 50% in paediatric dental surgery patients at Saanich Peninsula Hospital (SPH).