

Hospital Service Accountability Agreement *Update*

Hospital Planning Allocations Finalized

Earlier this fall, we reported that the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) was working with the Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) to finalize the hospital planning allocations for 2008/09 and 2009/10. During the [2008/10 HAPS Process Launch Videoconference](#), Deputy Minister Ron Sapsford outlined the process of calculation and due diligence that the MOHLTC would be following before the allocations could be released. The MOHLTC and LHINs appreciated that hospitals would want to know their planning allocations before completing their Hospital Annual Planning Submissions (HAPS). We are pleased to announce that the allocation figures are now available and will be communicated directly to hospitals through their LHINs.

2008-10 HAPS Forms now online

With the completion of the planning allocations, HAPS 08-10 is now available on the [Web Enabled Reporting System \(WERS\)](#). To access the most up-to-date forms, please visit www.mohltchb.com. Please note that the domain reports are not fully complete at this time.

E-Learning Series

The Joint Policy Planning Committee (JPPC), MOHLTC, Ontario Hospital Association (OHA) and LHINs have been working collaboratively to produce an e-learning series that will assist hospitals to complete their planning submissions and calculate the indicators listed in Appendix B of the [2008/10 HAPS Guidelines](#). The following webinars and background materials are now available on the [OHA's website](#):

- Introduction/Overview of Series
- Overview of WERS Forms & Tools (new)
- Financial Health Indicators
- Financial Health: Operational Efficiency (JPPC Rate Model)

E-Learning Module Highlight: Overview of WERS Forms & Tools

The following highlights some of the changes in the WERS for 2008-10

- The Hospital Annual Planning Submission (HAPS) covers the two year period of 2008-09 to 2009-2010
- Financial Optimization Strategies forms have been removed.
- FTE form introduced for year end 06/07 has been added.
- New report "Hospital Developmental Indicators" will be added to WERS:

The indicators listed as Developmental in Appendix B of the HAPS Guidelines 2008-2010 will be populated as the information becomes available in this separate WERS report.

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- Organizational Health Indicators
- System Integration: Hospital-CCAC Integration Indicators
- System Integration: Alternative Level of Care (ALC) Indicators (new)
- Patient Access & Outcomes: Stroke Indicators
- Patient Access & Outcomes: Volume Indicators (new)
- Patient Access & Outcomes: Emergency Department Indicators (new)
- Patient Access & Outcomes: Rehabilitation Indicators (new)

Two additional modules focusing on Complex Continuing Care and Readmission indicators will be available later this month. To download the PowerPoint slides and additional background materials, please visit www.jppc.org.

Questions and Answers: 2008-10 HAPS/H-SAA Documents and Processes

If you have suggested questions for inclusion in future iterations of this newsletter, please email the JPPC.

Q How were the hospital planning allocations calculated?

A The availability of more current data (2005/06) has enabled the recalculation the 2008/09 allocations and the calculation of the 2009/10 allocations. The calculations were based on the Integrated Population Based Allocation Methodology (IPBA), which promotes fairness in the distribution of available funds. Three funding pools were created (small hospitals; community, specialty and mental health hospitals; and Academic health sciences centres), and adjusted to reflect peer group's specific cost factors. From there, funding to small hospitals was allocated on an across-the-board basis; funding was allocated to the remaining hospitals based on a combination of expense growth, population growth, and equitable rate (e.g. IPBA).

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If you have specific questions related to your Hospital Annual Planning Submission, contact your local LHIN.

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