



Learning Webinar 3: Deep Dive into the 8 Key Elements

At the third learning webinar of the AUA in LTC Action Series, we reflected on additional ways that care homes can support improvements in AUA. We reviewed all 8 Key Elements that support good AUA practice and highlighted successes and challenges for each element. Three novel improvement ideas were shared, and these new resources will be added to the AUA in LTC Toolkit!



WHO DID WE HEAR FROM?

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to our presenters! They are prioritizing the appropriate use of antipsychotics in each of their health authorities and beyond.

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CHECK OUT THE SPECIFIC RESOURCE LINKS THAT WERE SHARED FOR EACH KEY ELEMENT

Key Element	Resource	Description
1 – Leadership Support	BC Ministry of Health Home and Community Care Policy: Chapter 6 LTC Services: Policy 6.L: Use of Medications to Manage Behaviours policy	Policy in effect September 1, 2024. Ensure staff have access to and understand policy. Share during staff meetings and huddles.
2 – Interdisciplinary Team: Supporting Medication Management for Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD)	Learning Webinar 2- Interdisciplinary Team Approaches	Learning 2 Webinar Recording.
	Learning Webinar 2 – Interdisciplinary Team Approaches: Resource Summary	Interdisciplinary Team Approaches - Summary of discussion during webinar.
	Interdisciplinary Team Roles and Responsibilities Template	Template to document roles and responsibilities of each interdisciplinary team member supporting AUA.
3 – RAI Assessments	InterRAI LTCF: What's Different	Prepare for the transition from MDS 2.0 to InterRAI LTCF and understand what is different.
	Interior Health Standard Operating Procedure (SOP): RAI Coding Process – In draft - Coming Soon!	SOP providing clinicians with a guide to accurately code the elements that contribute to the calculation of the Canadian Institute for Health Information potentially inappropriate use of antipsychotics quality indicator.
4 – Medication Reviews and Management	Updated Data Collection Template!	Updated Template! Includes Resident Tracker developed by Vancouver Coastal Health.
	VCH Standard Operating Procedure (SOP): Evaluating Antipsychotic Use in Long-Term Care	SOP to facilitate informed decision making regarding the use of antipsychotic medications as part of the management of BPSD for people living in LTC homes.
	Physician Engagement Tool – Coming Soon!	AUA in LTC tool is a decision-support aid for healthcare professionals in long-term care, designed to assist in evaluating the appropriateness of antipsychotic medication use by providing data and insights based on information you input.



5 – Care Planning & Documentation	Behaviour Mapping Tool	Use and include in personalized care plans to document behavioural trends, triggers and effective interventions.
6 – Family Engagement	Informed Consent	Template for Informed Consent documentation when using antipsychotics as part of health treatment.
	Resident and Family Council: AUA Pamphlet – Coming Soon!	Pamphlet template to fill in and use to share AUA initiatives the care home is working on.
7 – Staff Training & Culture	Palliative Care Approaches	<i>Strengthen Your Core!</i> is a program by the BC Centre for Palliative Care about the Palliative Core Competencies. It includes eight modules, one for each of the core competency domains.
	Staff Survey – Coming Soon!	Survey your staff and discover any barriers to offering non-pharmacological approaches to care.
8 – Non-Pharmacological Approaches to Care	Managing Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD) Non-Pharmacological Intervention Strategies	Support tool developed by Baycrest Behaviour Supports Ontario highlighting non-pharmacological strategies for BPSD.

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