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What is Accreditation?

Accreditation is an effective, internationally recognized and respected evaluation process used by many countries worldwide to assess the quality of health services.

Health and social service organizations that participate in Accreditation Canada's accreditation program are evaluating their performance against national standards of excellence. These standards examine all aspects of health care, from patient safety and ethics, to staff training and partnering with the community.

Organizations voluntarily participate in the accreditation program. They devote time and resources to learn how to improve what they are doing so they can provide the best possible care and service to their patients and clients.

Benefits of Accreditation

- Enhancing patient safety by effectively managing patient and clinical safety - related risk.
- Ensuring an acceptable level of quality among health care providers.
- Sustainable quality improvement.
- Improved communication and collaboration with both internal and external stakeholders and community partners.
- Strengthen interdisciplinary team effectiveness, contributing to better patient outcomes.
- Demonstrates commitment to quality, accountability, as well as increased credibility of healthcare organizations.
- Enables ongoing self assessments of performance in relation to the standards.

