

**Optimizing Use of Health Providers' Competencies Fund 2008/09 (OCF)  
Projects**

The Optimizing Use of Health Providers' Competencies Fund 2008/09 (OCF) is designed to explore the opportunities to support current health providers in fully applying their individual knowledge, judgement and acquired skills and experiences in order to meet existing or emerging care provision needs, and to improve patient centred care. The OCF is a HealthForceOntario initiative currently administered by the HealthForceOntario Marketing and Recruitment Agency.

	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Location</b>
1	Association of Ontario Midwives	Optimizing use of Midwifery Competencies in the Provision of Primary Care for Women and Newborns Contact: directorpolicy@aom.on.ca	Toronto
2	Bruyère Continuing Care	Evaluating the Effectiveness of "Appreciative Inquiry" as a Change Framework for Transitioning Clinical Teams from a Multidisciplinary to an Interprofessional Model of Care	Ottawa
3	Carefor Health & Community Services	Increasing the Skills Of Registered Practical Nurses to Work to their Full Scope of Practice	Ottawa
4	Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario	Administrative Implementation of Pharmacy Services in the Emergency Department Contact: Dr. Regis Vaillancourt, rvaillancourt@cheo.on.ca	Ottawa
5	College of Respiratory Therapists of Ontario	Optimizing Respiratory Therapy Services: A Continuum of Care from Hospital to Community Contact: Carole Hamp, hamp@cрто.on.ca	Toronto
6	Élisabeth-Bruyère Research Institute	Competencies Enhanced: HIV Providers Building Capacity for Specialized Patient Needs Contact: Meaghan McLaren, MMcLaren@bruyere.org or meaghanmclaren@yahoo.ca	Ottawa
7	Hamilton Health Sciences Corporation	Canwell – A Pilot Education and Exercise Program for Well Cancer Survivors Contact: Oren Cheifetz, cheifetz@hhsc.ca Online Resource: <a href="http://www.canwellprogram.ca">http://www.canwellprogram.ca</a>	Hamilton
8	Hamilton Urban Core Community Health Centre	Developing Framework to Improve Interprofessional Care in Primary Health Care Setting for Clients who are Marginalized and Living with Chronic Disease and / or Chronic Illness Contact: Dr. Denise Brooks, dbrooks@hucchc.com	Hamilton
9	Hastings Centennial Manor	HCA to PSW (Core Competency Training) Contact: Claudette Dignard-Remillard, dignardc@hastingscounty.com	Bancroft
10	Lakeridge Health Corporation	Rural Health Training Institute Contact: Dr. Pansy Goodman, pgoodman@lakeridgehealth.on.ca	Oshawa
11	McMaster University	Development and Validation of the Team Objective Structured Clinical Examination (TOSCE) for use as an Assessment of Team and Interprofessional Competencies of Primary Care Teams	Hamilton
12	Miramichi Lodge, Corporation of the County of Renfrew	Enhanced Patient-Centered Care in Long-Term Care that Supports Collaborative Practice through the Optimization of Scopes of Practices Contact: Shelley Sheedy, ssheedy@countyofrenfrew.on.ca	Pembroke
13	Mount Sinai Hospital, Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Health Complex	Optimizing Use Of Health Provider's Competencies: Meeting the Needs of the Elderly in Acute Care Centres	Toronto
14	Ontario Public Health Association	Developing a Performance Management Framework for Public Health Core Competencies Contact: Connie Uetrecht, cuetrecht@opha.on.ca Online Resource: <a href="http://www.corecompetencies.ca/performance_mgmt">http://www.corecompetencies.ca/performance_mgmt</a>	Toronto
15	Ontario Society of Medical Technologists	Improved Laboratory Testing and Proficiency for Better Patient Care by the Health Professions Of Ontario – A Pilot Project in North East LHIN Contact: Blanca McArthur, bmcArthur@osmt.org	Toronto
16	Providence Care	Optimizing Competencies: An Innovative Career Development Initiative Contact: Sandra Carlton, carltons@providencecare.ca	Kingston
17	Queensway Carleton Hospital	Enhancing Emergency Department Care Contact: Christine Bidmead, cbidmead@qch.on.ca	Ottawa
18	Quinte Healthcare Corporation	Creating Sustainability for Primary Obstetrical Care in Rural South Eastern Ontario Contact: Jan Tatlock, jtatlock@qhc.on.ca	Belleville
19	Quinte Healthcare Corporation	Building Local Capacity to Optimize the Nurse Practitioner Role in a Rural Community Hospital	Belleville
20	Royal Victoria Hospital	An Innovative Interprofessional Senior Care Model in an Acute Care Setting	Barrie
21	Royal Victoria Hospital	Implementation of a Multidisciplinary "Learn Team" in a Large Community Hospital Emergency Department	Barrie
22	Saint Elizabeth Health Care	Optimizing Competencies in Home and Community Care: Investing in Interprofessional Health Care Talent Contact: Heather McPherson, heather.mcpherson@sunnybrook.ca	Markham
23	South East Toronto Family Health Team	Developing an Interprofessional Wound Care Team in a Family Health Team Contact: Carol Toenjes, carol.toenjes@setfht.on.ca	Toronto
24	South West Community Care Access Centre	Enhancing Overnight Support for Medically Fragile Children through a Technology-Based Interdisciplinary Team Approach Contact: Megan Nichols, Megan.Nichols@sw.ccac-ont.ca	St. Thomas

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25	St. Joseph's Care Group	Competencies in an Interprofessional Model of Care for Hip and Knee Arthroplasty Contact: Caroline Fanti, fantic@tbh.net	Thunder Bay
26	St. Joseph's General Hospital Elliot Lake	Bringing Registered Practical Nurses to Full Scope of Practice by Training all Registered Practical Nurses so that they may Administer Intramuscular Injections and Manage IV Solutions	Elliot Lake
27	St. Joseph's Health Centre	The AIR Team: An Assertive Interprofessional Respiratory Team to Enhance Care for Respiratory Patients in the Emergency Department Contact: Michael Heffer, heffem@stjoe.on.ca	Toronto
28	St. Joseph's Villa	Enhanced Care Program: Optimizing The Role of the Personal Support Workers in Long-Term Care Contact: Jennifer Banks, jbanks@sjv.on.ca	Dundas
29	Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre	IPC Team Effectiveness: Creating a Systematic Approach to Assess, Measure and Improve IPC Team Effectiveness and Patient Safety Contact: Wendy Macdonald, wendy.macdonald@sunnybrook.ca; Matthew Vrooman, matthew.vrooman@sunnybrook.ca; or Cathy Lemieux, cathy.lemieux@sunnybrook.ca	Toronto
30	Sunset Country Family Health Team	Wound Care of Ambulatory Patients Contact: Randy Belair, rbelair@kenorahealth.com	Kenora
31	The Hospital for Sick Children	An Innovative Strategy to Advance Interprofessional Team Clinical Competencies Contact: Margaret Keatings, margaret.keatings@sickkids.ca	Toronto
32	The Ontario College of Family Physicians	Enhancing Competencies in Family Health Teams: Using Quality Improvement as a Driver for Learning, Team Building and Innovation Contact: Janet Kasperski, jk_ocfp@cfpc.ca	Toronto
33	The Ontario College of Family Physicians	The Continuum of Care in the Home: Enhancing the Competencies of CCAC Case Managers, Home Care Nurses, Family Physicians, and Health Professional Team Members Contact: Contact: Janet Kasperski, jk_ocfp@cfpc.ca	Toronto
34	Timmins and District Hospital	Building the Interprofessional Care Team: A Strategy Based on Analysis, Education and Sustainability: The Right Care for the Right Patient at the Right Time by the Right Provider Contact: Carol Halt, chalt@tadh.com	Timmins
35	University Health Network at Toronto Western Hospital, Department of Family and Community Medicine	Optimizing the Role of the Family Practice Registered Nurse Contact: Dr. Azadeh Moaveni, a.moaveni@utoronto.ca Online Resource: <a href="http://www.uhn.ca/FamilyPractice-RN.asp">http://www.uhn.ca/FamilyPractice-RN.asp</a>	Toronto
36	West Parry Sound Health Centre	Breaking Down Barriers: First Nation Cultural Awareness Outreach To Health Human Resources Contact: John Lee, jlee@wpshc.com	Parry Sound