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Register Now for the Info Webinar: The Sparking Change in AUA Awards Program

Sparking Change in the Appropriate Use of Antipsychotics (AUA) is an awards-based quality improvement program supporting person-centred care in long-term care (LTC) homes through the appropriate use of antipsychotics.

Why join this program?

Across Canada, 1 in 4 residents in LTC are taking potentially inappropriate antipsychotics without a diagnosis of psychosis. Rates were declining prior to 2020, but the COVID-19 pandemic exacerbated the issue, causing a renewed increase ([CIHI, 2022](#)). The dangers of inappropriate antipsychotic use include increasing risks of falls and fractures, strokes, cardiovascular events and even death ([CIHI, 2016](#)). However, providing improved support to staff to use non-pharmacological approaches rooted in person-centred care can help reduce inappropriate antipsychotic use.

What will your LTC home receive?

The program offers support for LTC homes on their quality improvement journey from November 2024 to February 2026, through access to:

- Educational webinars
- Interactive coaching sessions
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking
- Curated tools and resources
- Opportunities to win monetary awards of up to \$32,000 per LTC home

All interested homes are invited to learn more and register at our [launch webinar](#) on [November 20, 2024](#).