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# CHILD AND YOUTH

# POPULATION STANDARDS

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# CCHSA

CCHSA is a

- national, nonprofit, independent organization

Offering

- a rigorous, standards-based accreditation program

Which enables healthcare organizations to

- comprehensively assess and improve quality of care and patient safety.



# CCHSA Accreditation

- Quality improvement at organization and system levels
- Focus on change management and patient safety
- Involves public and private organizations
- National, international, across care continuum
- Organization may be regional, institutional, market-specific (e.g. Corrections, Canadian Forces)



# CCHSA's New Accreditation Program

- Reflects emerging healthcare trends
  - Captures governance and clinical best practices
  - Standards are easily integrated into the daily work of organizations
- Performance measurement for standardization and objectivity
- Flexible survey process adaptable to organizational size and need
- Surveyors are senior healthcare professionals



# Standards of Excellence

- Service delivery standards, and
- Complementary population-based standards which
  - reflect unique needs of specific populations
  - are organized according to populations served, rather than traditional service delivery



# Developing Child and Youth Population Standards

- Standards Working Groups gathered input on core topic areas
- Broad national consultation on draft standards with content experts
- Established key partnerships, including
  - CAPHC
  - Child Health BC



# Child and Youth Population Standards Focus

- Reflect diverse and unique needs of children and youth, with emphasis on
  - Continuity of care
  - Integration of services
  - Inter-sectoral collaboration



# Child and Youth Population Standards Sections

- Healthy living
- Health promotion and disease prevention
- Identification of at-risk groups and early intervention
- Integration and co-ordination across the system, including social service and community organizations



# Next Steps

- Pilot test Child and Youth Population standards in Regional Health Authorities in British Columbia
- Identify performance measures to support Child and Youth Population standards



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