

# FOUNDATIONAL TRAINING ON QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AVAILABLE TO ALL BC PHYSICIANS

Self-paced funded  
training opportunity

## CONTEXT

Since 2015, the Specialist Services Committee through their flagship Physician Quality Improvement (PQI) initiative has been dedicated to training physicians in quality improvement and helping them apply the learned concepts by leading projects that improve patient care. PQI partners with BC health authorities in providing this training to physicians, ultimately promoting a culture of learning, openness and dedication to improving our health care system.

In an effort to make QI concepts more accessible to all BC doctors, we have added flexibility to the process by creating three levels of training. This document highlights the first level, which only requires five hours of your (any practicing physician in BC's) time. It is online, funded and self-paced.

## PQI LEVEL 1 TRAINING (five hours online)

PQI Level 1 training is comprised of three online courses provided by the Institute of Healthcare Improvement (IHI) and a special presentation by Dr Don Berwick, a renowned name in the world of quality improvement.

1. QI 101: Introduction to Health Care Improvement
2. QI 102: How to Improve with the Model for Improvement
3. QI 103: Testing and Measuring Changes with PDSA Cycles
4. Dr Don Berwick's presentation - Overview of QI in Healthcare

In order to provide flexibility to participating physicians in BC, the QI training is divided into three levels and is available regionally through local health authorities. After completing the Level 1 training, you will be guided through pathways to access additional training through Levels 2 and 3.

## TO ACCESS PQI LEVEL 1 TRAINING CONTACT ONE OF OUR PQI TEAMS

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**Vancouver Island Health Authority**  
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If you are a community-based physician without affiliation with a health authority, please contact the PQI provincial team to gain access to the training, at: [quality@doctorsofbc.ca](mailto:quality@doctorsofbc.ca)

## PHYSICIAN PAYMENT

Physicians are eligible for five hours of sessional payment upon completion of PQI Level 1 Training.



For more information on the Physician Quality Improvement initiative, please visit our [webpage](#)