



TO: Centre for Quality Improvement & Patient Safety Community
FROM: Lisa A. Robinson, Dean, Temerty Faculty of Medicine & Vice Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions, University of Toronto
DATE: September 19, 2025
RE: Reappointment of Dr. Brian Wong as Director of the Centre for Quality Improvement & Patient Safety
CC: The Hospital for Sick Children
Michael Garron Hospital, Toronto East Health Network
Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
Women's College Hospital

I am pleased to announce the reappointment of Dr. Brian Wong as Director of the University of Toronto Centre for Quality Improvement & Patient Safety (CQuIPS)—in partnership with The Hospital for Sick Children, Michael Garron Hospital, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre and Women's College Hospital—through February 28, 2030.

Dr. Wong is a Staff Physician in the Division of General Internal Medicine at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre and Professor in the Department of Medicine at the University of Toronto. He also serves as Departmental Division Director for General Internal Medicine and holds the Mr. Mak Pak Chiu & Mrs. Mak-Soo Lai Hing Chair.

During his first term as Director, CQuIPS experienced significant growth and impact. Despite converting to an entirely virtual format for several years, CQuIPS' advanced certificate programs graduated over 225 people. Researchers published 325 peer-reviewed publications and acquired over \$40M in grant funding. In 2023, CQuIPS assumed oversight of the Standards for Quality Improvement Reporting Excellence (SQUIRE) international writing guidelines, making University of Toronto the international standard bearer for QI publishing. CQuIPS made advancing equity through QIPS a strategic focus, publishing a novel framework for embedding equity into QI work in *BMJ Quality & Safety*.

In the recent academic review of CQuIPS, the reviewers lauded *"the CQuIPS team [for achieving] remarkable milestones over the last 5 years. This EDU-C is viewed across its stakeholder map as bringing substantial added value to the university and to the health system more broadly. Under the highly-effective leadership of Dr. Brian Wong, it has maintained a supportive culture of its staff and learners even through the pandemic, and forged new relationships both locally and internationally. The team showed courage and an innovation mindset during the pandemic, setting a new bar for the ways in which an EDU-C can add tangible value in the health system, particularly for a vulnerable group [i.e., long-term care] outside hospitals where less infrastructure exists. While this EDU-C already punches above its weight, the relatively new strategic plan sets out even more bold goals to move the needle on health equity and grow impact within the health care system."*

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Wong on his dedicated leadership in the Temerty Faculty of Medicine and continued success in his second term as Director of the Centre for Quality Improvement & Patient Safety.

Sincerely,

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