Safety in Long-Term Care: Analysis of the 2026/27 QIP Submissions

This summary shares insights from the Safety section of the 603 Quality Improvement Plans (QIPs) submitted by long-term care homes for 2026/27.

Progress Report

Most common successes or enablers:

- Interdisciplinary team huddles and rounds
- Ongoing staff education and training
- Data monitoring, audits, and EMR tools

Most common challenges or barriers:

- Staffing shortages, turnover, and agency reliance
- High resident acuity and responsive behaviours
- Competing priorities and limited specialist access

Common Change Ideas: Falls

- Staff education on falls prevention and safe mobility
- Post-fall assessment and root-cause review
- Interdisciplinary fall huddles and debriefs

Workplan Performance

Progress on Optional Indicators

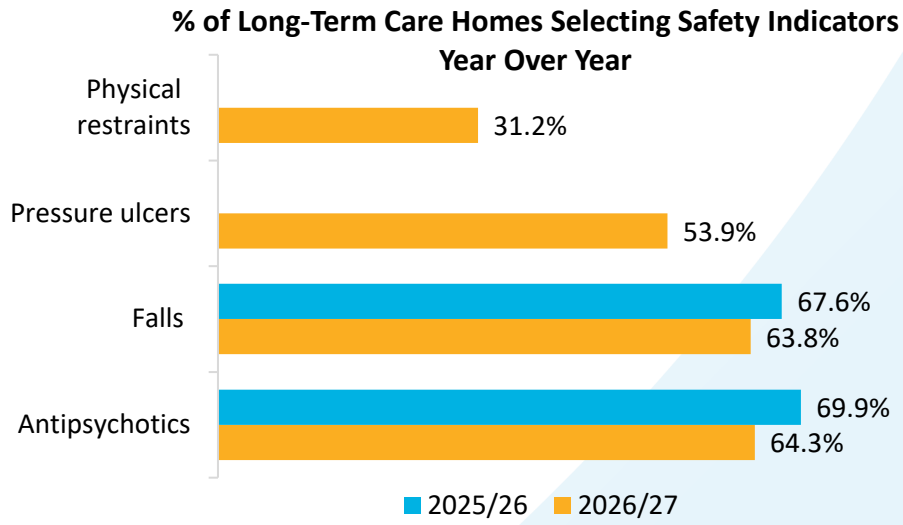
16.8% of residents fell in the last 30 days (↓ 0.51%)

18.99% of residents on potentially inappropriate antipsychotics (↓ 0.66%)

3.3% of residents had a worsened pressure ulcer (new indicator this year)

1.5% of residents were physically restrained daily (new indicator this year)

Indicator Uptake for 2026/27



Common Change Ideas: Antipsychotics

- Regular medication reviews and appropriate deprescribing
- Behavioural Supports Ontario role or team involvement
- Staff education on responsive behaviours
- Nonpharmacological, person-centred interventions

Narrative Report Themes

- Fostering a just safety culture through education, training, huddles, and leadership
- Processes for incident/near-miss reporting and learning from events to prevent recurrence
- Using audits, data monitoring, and continuous quality improvement to strengthen safety

To review the data and learn more about the QIPs submitted across the province, visit Query QIPs.

Abbreviations: EMR, electronic medical record.

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