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Telehomecare Expansion Program Overview

- A coaching intervention for patients with significant chronic illness, based on guidelines that are evidence based, including RNAO best practice guidelines, and approved by an external clinical advisory committee
- Initially directed to patients with COPD and CHF who have had a recent ED and/or hospital admission
- Delivered by a RN/RT with specialized training in disease management and health coaching
- Family physician (or MRP) supports decision making as required
- Supported by remote monitoring technology
- Time-limited intervention (~6 month)

Canada Inforoute Health Santé Infoway du Canad Telehomecare Expansion Program Investment from the province, Canada Health Infoway and the Early Adopter LHINs

has resulted in a comprehensive, evidence-based program, with demonstrated benefits, ready to be rolled-out province wide:

- Telehomecare is well-aligned with health system priorities. It offers a lower cost intervention that results in reduced ED visits and Inpatient admissions for enrolled patients with COPD and HF priority patients for Health Links, OBPs and patient-based funding
- A robust Telehomecare infrastructure has been established for Ontario:
 - OTN has implemented a high quality, evidence-based clinical program including training, business processes and change management model for LHIN/Hosts to start-up and maintain a new Telehomecare program, supported by a core, scalable technology solution

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 Seven LHINs have implemented telehomecare with 8 host organizations (hospitals, CCACs and HealthLinks), a core team of over 40 clinicians with essential telehomecare expertise and over 2500 enrolled patients

 Together, the LHINs, Hosts and OTN have built an effective, patient-centred program and a team with expertise, experience and passion for program delivery, innovation and continuous improvement
- Early evidence demonstrates that the anticipated health system benefits are being achieved





