Ontario Cancer Plan 5 2019–2023
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STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:
 Expand the use of patient-reported outcomes and improve symptom management
 Expand patient experience measurement and equitable engagement with patients, caregivers and the public
 Promote early conversations relating to advance care planning, prognosis and goals of care, and share identified goals with the care team
 Improve health literacy competencies among healthcare professionals, patients and caregivers, to improve communication, self-management and quality of life
 Improve access to cancer information for patients and caregivers

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:
 Implement a model of care to provide comprehensive symptom and side-effect management
 Develop and implement clinical standards and practices to improve treatment quality and safety
 Strengthen the culture and system-level oversight for safety

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:
 Build capacity to address health equity through expanded use of data, tools and partnerships at provincial and community levels
 Develop health policy advice and implement strategies for supporting identified underserved and vulnerable populations
 Implement the Fourth First Nations, Inuit, Métis and Urban Indigenous Cancer Strategy with a focus on engagement with local communities
 Plan and allocate funding, capital equipment and infrastructure, and health human resources to support equitable care across the province

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:
 Advance the chronic disease prevention strategies
 Strengthen Ontario’s organized cancer screening programs for breast, colorectal, cervical and lung cancer
 Reduce variation in the quality of care for patients undergoing diagnostic assessment, from suspicion of cancer to treatment decision
 Develop approaches to address healthcare professional burnout
 Increase value of services through funding models, evaluation, policy development and new models of care
 Assess real-world clinical benefit and value of treatment strategies
 Facilitate the adoption of biosimilar drugs

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:
 Expand measurement of clinical outcomes and compare outcomes against other jurisdictions
 Examine the association between patients’ receipt of evidence-based cancer care, and clinical and patient-reported outcomes
 Develop strategies to support evaluation and implementation of innovative technologies and interventions
 Implement a framework for using personal and tumour genetics (personalized medicine) to strengthen quality, service delivery and system planning
 Work with system partners to promote effective and appropriate care for adolescents and young adults
 Expand tobacco smoking cessation programs
 Expand quality measurement to include non-hospital settings and reporting at the facility and provider level
 Advance integrated standardized clinical documentation (synoptic reporting) and enable real-time clinical decision-making and system reporting

In time, the work of Cancer Care Ontario will be taken on by Ontario Health. Ontario Health is a single health agency that will oversee healthcare delivery, improve clinical guidance and support providers to ensure better quality care for patients.