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## Register Now: Sparking Change in AUA Awards Program

You are invited to join the [Sparking Change in the Appropriate Use of Antipsychotics \(AUA\)](#) program offered by Healthcare Excellence Canada. This awards-based quality improvement program supports the appropriate use of antipsychotics through person-centred care and is open to long-term care (LTC) homes across the country.

### Why join this program?

Across Canada, approximately 1 in 4 residents in LTC are taking potentially inappropriate antipsychotics without a diagnosis of psychosis. Rates were declining prior to 2020, but the COVID-19 pandemic reversed that trend ([CIHI, 2022](#)). Deprescribing these medications when they no longer benefit or cause harm can improve safety and quality of life, especially with supportive care strategies. Person-centred care is a proven and safer alternative that benefits residents, care partners and care providers.

[Visit the program webpage to learn more about the proven AUA Approach.](#)  
**Register by June 27, 2025, to be entered into a kickstarter award draw for the chance to win \$2,000 per site!**

### What will your LTC home receive?

The program runs until February 2026, and offers flexible support for LTC homes participating in the quality improvement journey through optional access to:

- Educational webinars
- Interactive coaching sessions
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking
- Curated tools and resources
- Opportunities to win monetary awards between \$2000 to \$10,000

If you have any questions, please reach out to the HEC team at [AUA-UAA@hec-esc.ca](mailto:AUA-UAA@hec-esc.ca) or [check out our FAQ page](#) for more information about registration and awards.