

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Report Card Policy Brief

TBI LANDSCAPE IN ONTARIO



Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is damage to the brain caused by a traumatic event such as a blow to the head, a fall, a motor vehicle or sports related injury.

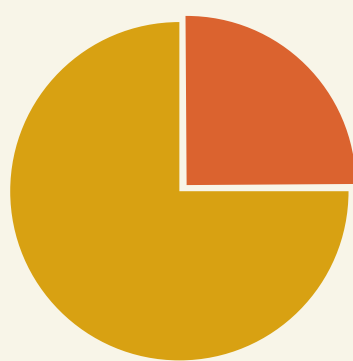


2.4/1,000 Ontarians were admitted to hospital with a TBI in 2018



TBI incidence and mortality on the rise in Ontario

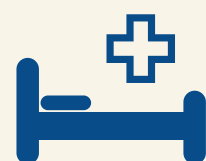
25% of days spent in hospital are at the wrong level of care (ALC)



Costs an extra \$1,540 per person



Delays access to rehab



Reduces acute care bed availability

Median Days to First Homecare Visit

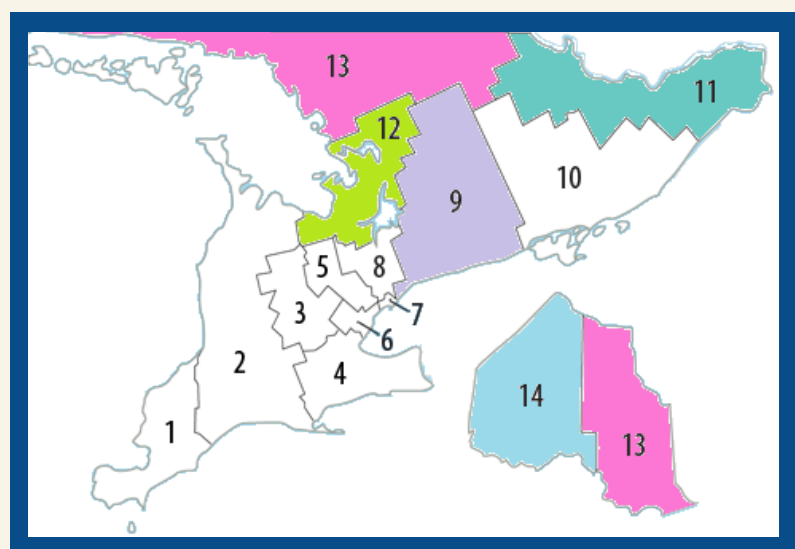
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Median Number of Homecare Visits

4

Longest Homecare wait times (days) in Ontario

27



Rural LHINs have highest rates of incidence, mortality, and delays to care

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

- ✓ Shift from a population-based model to demand-based to improve health equity in rural and northern regions
- ✓ Improve care continuum flow to reduce ALC days and wasted resources
- ✓ Consult the annual TBI Report Card when determining resource allocation for the TBI care continuum
- ✓ Increase the number of mandated homecare visits from 4 to reduce hospital readmission rates

Read the full report at:
onf.org/tbi-report-card



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