Supplement 4

The following data sources were used to support primary and secondary outcomes:

i) the Continuing Care Reporting System Long Term Care (CCRS-LTC) database, which includes detailed quarterly assessments for all Ontario long-term care residents.

ii) The Registered Persons Database (RPDB) for demographics and to facilitate linkages.

iii) the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) database, which includes physician billing claims for procedures performed within Ontario’s universal single-payer healthcare system;

iv) the Ontario Drug Benefit Program (ODB) database, which contains detailed information about drugs dispensed in the province to individuals over 65 years of age including residents of long-term care homes;

v) the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) Quarterly Discharge Abstract database (DADQ), which contains detailed information about hospitalizations; and

vi) the CIHI Quarterly National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRSQ) database, which describes all emergency department visits.