

## EQuIP7 Fact Sheet

# BEYOND ACCREDITATION

ACHS International encourages organisations to excel beyond accreditation through an ongoing and advanced focus on safety, quality, outcomes, and experience. These 'beyond accreditation' achievements require additional assessment to our new Advanced Person Centred Systems (PCS) Module designed to focus on engagement and participation with patient, staff, families, and the community in the design and delivery of care services. The Accreditation with Extensive Achievement and Accreditation with Outstanding Achievement are the highest levels of validation using our EQuIP7 scheme and standards.

### Accreditation With Extensive Achievement

The Accreditation with Extensive Achievement is intended for those Facilities who can advance beyond Accreditation but are not yet able to meet all the requirements of the Advanced PCS Module.

#### Achievement Requirements

To achieve Accreditation with Extensive Achievement, a Facility must receive a:

- Met rating for all LA (Little Achievement), SA (Some Achievement), and MA (Marked Achievement) elements, and
- M (Met) or MR (Met with Recommendations) rating for all Advanced PCS elements.

#### Advanced PCS Element Recommendations

The recommendation rectification timelines do not apply to recommendations given to Advanced PCS elements. As the Advanced PCS Module is optional, it is highly encouraged to address and close all recommendations related to Advanced PCS elements before the start of your next cycle.

The recommendation rectification timelines are still relevant to all LA, SA, and MA elements regardless of being assessed to the Advanced PCS Module.

#### Duration Limit

There is no limit on the number of Cycles for which a Facility can maintain Accreditation with Extensive Achievement. Once a Facility achieves Accreditation with Extensive Achievement, it may be granted any type of Accreditation in future Cycles.

#### Final Assessment

A final assessment may be triggered according to the same rules as Accreditation.

### Accreditation With Outstanding Achievement

The Accreditation with Outstanding Achievement is intended for those most advanced Facilities that meet all EQuIP7 MA elements and all person-centred requirements of the Advanced PCS Module.

#### Achievement Requirements

To achieve Accreditation with Outstanding Achievement, a Facility must receive a Met rating for all LA, SA, MA, and PCS elements.

#### Advanced PCS Element Recommendations

The recommendation rectification timelines do not apply to recommendations given to Advanced PCS elements. As the Advanced PCS Module is optional, it is highly encouraged to address and close all recommendations related to Advanced PCS elements before the start of your next cycle.

The recommendation rectification timelines are still relevant to all LA, SA, and MA elements regardless of being assessed to the Advanced PCS Module.

#### Duration Limit

There is no limit on the number of Cycles for which a Facility can maintain Accreditation with Outstanding Achievement. Once a Facility achieves Accreditation with Outstanding Achievement, it may be granted any type of Accreditation in future Cycles.

#### Final Assessment

A final assessment may be triggered according to the same rules as Accreditation.

For further information, please refer to EQuIP7 Scheme Guide. If you have any questions on how this impacts your organisation, please contact the ACHS International team at [info@achsi.org](mailto:info@achsi.org)