Safety at Home: A Pan Canadian Home Care Safety Study

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Dr. Doran received her PhD from Health Administration at the University of Toronto. She is currently a Full Professor in the Faculty of Nursing at the University of Toronto. She is also an Adjunct Professor at the Faculty of Nursing, Midwifery at the University of Technology in Sydney, Australia, and at the School of Nursing, Queens University. She holds a Nurse Senior Researcher award from the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care from 2009-2012.

For the past three years she has co-led the formation of a Pan-Canadian Core Safety in Home Care Team of researchers and decision makers funded by CPSI. She is also a member of CPSI’s Research and Evaluation Committee and the Mount Sinai Hospital Quality and Safety Board Committee. She has an extensive track record in quality and patient safety research, supported by numerous grants from provincial and federal agencies, and resulting in 82 peer-reviewed publications. Dr. Doran has collaborated successfully with Dr. Blais (the co-lead) and the leads of the sub-projects on a series of exploratory studies focused on the nature and prevalence of patient safety issues among home care clients.

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Dr. Régis Blais is the co-lead for the research project, Safety at Home: A Pan Canadian Home Care Safety Study.

Dr. Blais received his PhD in Psychology from the University of Quebec at Montreal. He is currently the Director and Full Professor in the Department of Health Administration at the University of Montreal. He is also a regular researcher in the University of Montreal Public Health Research Institute (Institut de recherche en santé publique de l’Université de Montréal). He has published numerous articles on patient safety, as well as in the home care setting.
Dr. Blais has been a member of the CPSI Core Safety in Home Care Team for the past three years and co-lead for the past year. He has expertise in health services research and patient safety. He has been a member of CPSI Research and Evaluation Advisory Committee since its inception. Dr. Régis Blais was the Québec investigator in the Canadian Adverse Events Study led by Dr. Ross Baker, and he was also Principal Investigator of a complementary study on hospital adverse events in Québec. Working together with Dr. Doran and other team leads, he will commit his time to co-lead this study and supervise all its components.