



INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM  
ON QUALITY IN SUBSTANCE USE  
DISORDERS TREATMENT

## ICQ Vision

ICQ provides global leadership and a hub for organizations interested in promoting and improving the quality of substance use disorders (SUDs) treatment services and systems to ensure the best positive outcomes for people who use alcohol and other drugs.

“Joining the ICQ will allow you to be part of a network whose central focus is on quality and quality improvement in the treatment of people with substance use disorders (SUDs).”

ICQ was created to ensure that SUDs services and systems are in line with international standards for the treatment of SUDs through peer-led and co-designed resources and through the provision of technical support to interested countries from two international initiatives:

- ▶ International Consortium on Quality in Substance Use Disorders Treatment (ICQ)
- ▶ Program for International Quality Assurance in Treatment (PIQAT)

Through ICQ and PIQAT, quality and quality assurance in a country's system of care and services will be embedded and sustained through continuous quality improvement processes as reflected in International Standards and guidance.

## Benefits of joining ICQ networks

- ▶ **Helps** countries to achieve and report on their progress in meeting the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).
- ▶ **Assists** countries to comply with international resolutions (UNODC).
- ▶ **Guides** access to training, mentoring opportunities, technical assistance and other resources associated with continuous quality improvement of SUDs treatment.
- ▶ **Provides** a space for the exchange and dissemination of quality assurance tools and practices.
- ▶ **Strengthens** the quality of SUDs treatment globally by promoting continuous quality improvement and best practices.
- ▶ **Enhances** global efforts to identify and address gaps in the quality of SUDs services.
- ▶ **Promotes** benchmarks and tools for measuring quality and strengthening patient safety efforts through international standards, guidelines and best practices.
- ▶ **Provides** a global forum for discussing and coordinating international initiatives focused on quality and quality improvement.
- ▶ **Access** to technical assistance offered through ICQ and PIQAT to interested countries to improve SUDs systems and services using international standards and guidance.
- ▶ **Contributes** to the development of quality assurance activities in countries to improve and sustain the quality of their SUDs treatment systems and services.
- ▶ **Supports** a country's efforts to obtain the ICQ Quality Seal Award.

# Why Join ICQ's Networks?



## Benefits of having the ICQ Quality Seal Award

- ▶ **Provides** international recognition of quality in SUDs treatment.
- ▶ **Provides** credibility and promotes transparency.
- ▶ **Validates** an organization's quality of SUDs services.
- ▶ **Demonstrates** an organization's commitment to comply with international standards and best practices.
- ▶ **Provides** a level of assurance that people with SUDs are receiving treatment in line with international quality standards.
- ▶ **Promotes** continuous quality improvement and patient safety and wellbeing.



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