

## What are Mock Tracers?

In accreditation, **priority processes** are critical areas and systems known to have a significant impact on the quality and safety of care and services. An example of a priority process is a patient/client/resident episode of care.

A **tracer** is the method accreditation surveyors use to evaluate priority processes during an on-site survey.

Mock tracers provide an opportunity for Health PEI staff to become more familiar with the accreditation survey process and helps units/programs prepare for the on-site survey visit. Mock tracers are a good way to identify

Surveyors focus on the processes we use to deliver care and services.
Surveyors do not focus on an individual's practice.

if further action/attention is required in an area/program – they can help showcase strengths and opportunities for further improvement.

Watch for mock tracers taking place throughout Health PEI programs/facilities starting fall 2021.