

Choosing a Long-Term Care Home



Making the decision to move to a long-term care home is a life-changing step for you and your family. It's important that you have all of the information you need to choose the home that is right for you. There are many things to consider, including the level of care you require, location, availability and cost.

Your CCAC Care Coordinator can help you think through your decision. If you are able, we recommend that you and your family visit the homes you are interested in and ask questions before making a decision.

Each person who applies for long-term care may choose up to five (5) homes anywhere in Ontario, in order of preference. These decisions will help determine the amount of time a person waits for long-term care. If you need care urgently, you are able to add more homes to your choice list. If you move to a home that is not your first choice, you may stay on the waiting list for your first choice.

For more information, please speak with your Care Coordinator at 1-800-810-0000. We're here to help.

As you make your decision, here's some information to keep in mind:

Number of long-term care homes in Niagara Region: **31**

Number of long-term care home spaces in Niagara Region: **3,529**

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT INDIVIDUAL LONG-TERM CARE HOMES, VISIT:

<http://publicreporting.ltchomes.net/en-ca/default.aspx>
www.hqontario.ca/en/reporting/ltc/

About the Information in this Report

There are many factors to be considered when choosing a home. The size of the waiting list (number of people on the wait list) in homes you are considering may be important to you. This document provides information about waiting lists in long-term care homes in this region; the wait list is not an indication of wait time (how long an individual will wait to access care).

When reviewing this information, please note the following:

- Each individual may choose up to 5 homes and up to 3 bed types in each home. This means that one person may be represented on multiple wait lists.
- The # on wait list represents the number of people still waiting for a bed at the end of the month.

- The number of days waited is presented as the experience of 9 out of 10 people (90th percentile) and is based on people admitted to each long-term care home in the past 2 years who did not need immediate admission to the long-term care home. You may wait for a longer or shorter period of time, depending on your circumstances and the number of available beds.
- The numbers below fluctuate based on a variety of factors; your CCAC Care Coordinator can provide you with information about the options that may best meet your individual needs.

Updates available monthly and can be viewed at www.healthcareathome.ca/hnhb.

Long-Term Care Home	Approximate # of Long-Stay Beds	Basic		Semi-Private		Private		# of Distinct Individuals on Wait List	Average # of beds that become available each month
		# on Wait List	Days Waited for 9 out of 10 people	# on Wait List	Days Waited for 9 out of 10 people	# on Wait List	Days Waited for 9 out of 10 people		
Albright Manor	231	90	659	54	410	61	585	135	4
Bella Senior Care Residence	160	84	389			36	311	112	3
Chateau Gardens Niagara Long Term Care	124	4	16	5	21	4	39	7	4
Crescent Park Lodge	68	8	25	3	28	2	35	10	2
Deer Park Villa Nursing Facility	39	51	401	29	237	51	* Not available	97	1
Douglas H. Rapelje Lodge	119	140	564	44	463	50	530	188	2
Eventide Home (The Salvation Army)	98	43	526	7	137	8	118	49	1

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Extendicare St. Catharines	152	16	86	2	42	2	15	20	4
Foyer Richelieu Welland	62	54	868	22	* Not available	20	232	72	1
Garden City Manor	200	8	43	4	35	3	34	12	6
Gilmore Lodge	79	24	* Not available	5	96	3	106	29	2
Heidehof Home for the Aged	106	63	747	28	908	30	862	90	3
Henley House (The)	160	144	834			84	712	202	5
Heritage Place	41	17	277	15	67	15	224	30	1
Kilean Lodge Nursing Home	48	15	198	4	212	6	* Not available	18	1
Linhaven Home	222	153	869	27	162	62	498	210	6
Maple Park Lodge	96	35	246			9	119	42	2
Meadows of Dorchester, The	119	131	1767	44	401	43	565	177	3
Millennium Trail Manor	160	92	623			17	139	106	4
Niagara Health System, Welland Hospital Site, Extended Care Unit	75	43	560	7	214	12	519	53	2
Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Niagara	40	90	* Not available			55	729	126	1
Northland Pointe	149	111	1050	44	1016	39	601	152	3
Oakwood Park Lodge	151	3	14	2	33	2	* Not available	6	6
Shalom Manor	144	49	1530	48	439	70	783	107	3
Tabor Manor	128	76	868			46	174	99	6
Tufford Nursing Home	64	21	243	5	160	14	* Not available	35	2
United Mennonite Home for the Aged	128	61	611			44	173	87	2
Upper Canada Lodge	80	16	190	12	205	17	253	31	2

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Valley Park Lodge	65	5	154	3	59	3	* Not available	10	1
West Park Health Centre	101	7	20	0	22	0	12	7	4
Woodlands of Sunset - Home for the Aged	120	197	2234	81	1325	88	1522	278	3

Bed type not available in this home.

* Data not available for this bed type; placements for this time period have been for crisis (urgent) placements only.

Long-term care wait time information is provided for general information and is an approximation only. Please be advised that wait times for admission to a long-term care home can change without notice, and are not guaranteed. Long-term care home bed availability also varies by home, bed type, eligibility category, and according to individual patient need.

For this reason, posted wait times may not reflect the time you or your loved one may wait for admission to a long-term care home. This information should not be used by anyone to plan for the specific wait time of an individual, nor be used for providing notice to vacate (or for timing the sale or closing of) a current residence.

Placement Priority Categories

Each person who applies for long-term care is assigned a priority category
The priority category of each person on the wait list also affects wait time.

Category 1 People who need immediate admission to long-term care and cannot have their needs met at home, or who are in hospital, when hospital is in crisis. People in a long-term care home that is closing within 12 weeks.

Category 2 People who need to be reunified with their spouses/partners who are currently residing in a long-term care home, and who meet eligibility requirements (including care needs).

Category 3A People waiting for a long-term care home serving those of a particular religion, ethnic origin or culture. People who have high care needs, but can still be supported at home until a bed becomes available. People in hospital waiting for long-term care. People in a long-term care home seeking transfer to their home of choice.

Category 3B People waiting for a long-term care home serving those of a particular religion, ethnic origin or culture. People with care needs who are currently managing at home with supports. Wait times for clients in this category are much longer.

Category 4A People who have high care needs, but can still be supported at home until a bed becomes available. People in hospital waiting for long-term care. People in a long-term care home seeking transfer to their home of choice.

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