

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 care coordinator can help. We recommend that you or 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 Hamilton Region: **27**

Number of long-term care home spaces in Hamilton Region: **3,820**

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 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 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 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 can change based on a variety of factors. Your care coordinator can provide you with information about the options that best meet your individual needs.

Wait lists/times 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		
Alexander Place	126	77	*Not available			90	1368	143	4
Arbour Creek	128	151	*Not available			42	829	181	5
Baywoods Place	128	54	381			8	*Not available	60	2
Blackadar Continuing Care Centre	80	12	366	2	60	6	*Not available	17	1
Chartwell Willowgrove	169	176	*Not available			164	*Not available	306	6
Clarion Nursing Home	100	78	494	30	476	42	*Not available	114	1
Dundurn Place Care Centre	173	36	116	4	156			37	3

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Extendicare Hamilton	159	157	*Not available			87	333	223	4
Grace Villa Long Term Care Home	184	64	438	13	182	24	130	89	6
Hamilton Continuing Care	64	32	250	3	*Not available	3	*Not available	35	2
Heritage Green Nursing Home	167	83	324	32	420	39	*Not available	120	3
Idlewyld Manor	192	294	*Not available			183	*Not available	428	4
Macassa Lodge	270	297	*Not available	81	*Not available	208	993	504	4
Orchard Terrace Care Centre	45	47	*Not available	22	172			57	1
Parkview Nursing Centre	126	34	*Not available	9	44	10	176	41	2
Pine Villa Nursing Home	38	49	768	12	491	12	*Not available	64	1
Queens Garden Long Term Care Residence	128	166	*Not available			25	318	186	2
Regina Gardens	128	258	*Not available			151	*Not available	370	3
Ridgeview Long Term Care Centre	120	230	*Not available			128	1585	325	2
Shalom Village Long Term Care	109	89	*Not available			60	*Not available	141	3
St. Joseph's Villa	390	158	*Not available	44	378	87	270	234	14
St. Peter's Residence at Chedoke	210	347	*Not available			255	*Not available	548	3
The Meadows Long Term Care Centre	128	135	*Not available			150	*Not available	260	3
The Village Of Wentworth Heights	120	399	*Not available			314	*Not available	640	2
The Wellington	102	86	*Not available	27	286	40	509	130	1
Victoria Gardens Long Term Care	76	83	*Not available	5	280	6	*Not available	87	2
Wentworth Lodge	160	142	*Not available	54	1274	132	*Not available	270	5

 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 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 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 to plan for the specific wait time of an individual or 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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