

## 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 Niagara Region: **32**

Number of long-term care home spaces in Niagara Region: **3,613**

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

<http://publicreporting.ltchomes.net/en-ca/default.aspx>

[www.hqontario.ca/en/reporting/ltc/](http://www.hqontario.ca/en/reporting/ltc/)

# About the Information in this Report

There are many factors to consider 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](http://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	114	739	64	601	119	639	221	6
Bella Senior Care Residence	160	107	1175			36	*Not available	135	5
Chartwell Niagara	124	15	151	5	83	6	144	22	5
Crescent Park Lodge	68	6	53	2	80	1	*Not available	8	3
Deer Park Villa Nursing Facility	39	81	*Not available	43	*Not available	63	*Not available	128	1
Douglas H. Rapelje Lodge	119	212	*Not available	100	690	119	458	305	3
Eventide Home (The Salvation Army)	98	42	620	11	*Not available	19	260	61	1

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Extendicare St. Catharines	152	31	*Not available	4	134	13	*Not available	42	5
Foyer Richelieu Welland	62	52	*Not available	25	*Not available	29	*Not available	78	1
Garden City Manor	200	23	53	8	41	13	*Not available	34	8
Gilmore Lodge	79	43	470	13	190	11	214	55	3
Heidehof Home for the Aged	106	146	590	97	*Not available	154	*Not available	276	3
Henley House (The)	160	220	*Not available			189	929	357	5
Kilean Lodge Nursing Home	48	6	220	2	293	6	*Not available	12	1
Linhaven Home	222	244	2099	90	385	154	*Not available	381	5
Maple Park Lodge	96	44	820			4	144	47	3
Meadows of Dorchester, The	119	205	*Not available	95	778	139	617	344	2
Millennium Trail Manor	160	146	*Not available			67	271	196	3
Niagara Health System, Welland Hospital Site, Extended Care Unit	75	64	1160	16	188	12	*Not available	72	2
Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Niagara	40	164	*Not available			147	1518	264	1
Northland Pointe	149	154	*Not available	80	852	89	854	217	5
Oakwood Park Lodge	151	13	199	1	107	4	*Not available	17	5
Pleasant Manor Retirement Village	29	40	*Not available	14	922	44	487	79	1
Royal Rose Place	96	199	957			103	871	257	2
Shalom Manor	144	111	*Not available			88	318	167	5
Tabor Manor	128	209	*Not available			186	820	334	4
Tufford Nursing Home	64	39	242	9	296	35	*Not available	72	2
United Mennonite Home for the Aged	128	100	*Not available			92	380	170	3

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Upper Canada Lodge	80	58	573	6	*Not available	36	682	85	1
Valley Park Lodge	65	13	*Not available	3	325	13	*Not available	27	1
West Park Health Centre	101	3	50	0	52	1	*Not available	4	3
Woodlands of Sunset - Home for the Aged	120	267	*Not available	150	1464	191	*Not available	413	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 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.

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**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.

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**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).

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**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.

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**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.

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**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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**Category 4B** People with care needs who are currently managing at home with supports. Wait times for people in this category are much longer.

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**Veteran** People with care needs who are currently managing at home with supports. Wait times for clients in this category are much longer.