

Convalescent Care Program

Fact Sheet for Patients and Physicians

The Convalescent Care Program is a program housed in Long-Term Care Homes across Ontario. Convalescent Care provides 24-hour short-stay care to people from either the hospital or community who require specific medical and therapeutic services in order to recover their strength, endurance, and functionality before returning home.

The Convalescent Care Program is designed for those who:

- require specialized care services (Nursing Care, Physiotherapy, and Nutrition), to help reach rehabilitation goals; and
- are willing and able to learn the skills that will increase independence at home.

Cost

This is a publicly funded service. There is no fee for this program.

Equipment

Long-Term Care Homes will provide basic equipment needs. Some patients may be asked to rent specialized equipment or equipment that will be required in the home upon discharge. Patients are also asked to bring any equipment that they own and are presently using (cane, walker, wheelchair, etc.).

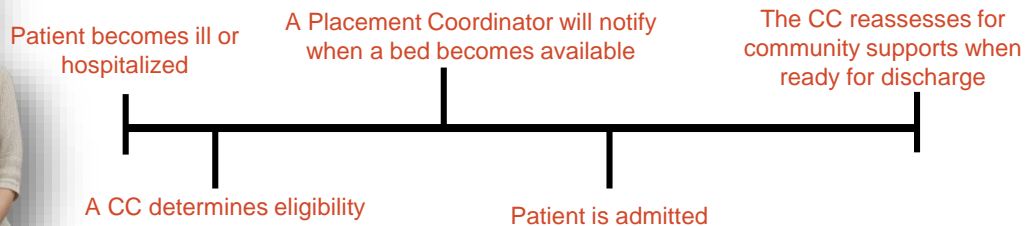
Program Eligibility Criteria

The patient's Physician or Nurse Practitioner is required to complete a Health Assessment.*

- Patient must be at least 18 years old and insured under OHIP.
- Patient's health condition is stable.
- Patient no longer requires acute care or rehab services provided in hospital.
- Patient must be able to return home at the completion of the program (within 90 days).
- Patient must be able to follow directions and participate in a therapy program.

* To access the Health Assessment form, [click here](#).

Care Coordinators (CCs) are members of the Convalescent Care team who work with patients and families each step of the way.



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Convalescent Care

in North Simcoe Muskoka

Woods Park Care Centre
110 Lillian Crescent, Barrie

Semi-Private • Private (705) 739-6881

IOOF Seniors Home Inc.
10 Brooks Street, Barrie

Semi-Private • Private (705) 728-2364

Leisureworld Muskoka
200 Kelly Drive, Gravenhurst

Private (705) 687-3444

Georgian Manor
101 Thompson Road, Penetanguishene

Semi-Private • Private (705) 549-3166

Collingwood Nursing Home
250 Campbell Street, Collingwood

Semi-Private (705) 445-3991

*Patients are encouraged to apply to more than one Convalescent Care site for a **faster admission and earlier start** on their recovery.*

Length of Stay

Patients may utilize Convalescent Care for seven to no more than 90 days in a calendar year. The average length of stay is 30-45 days.

Medical Leave

In the case of a medical absence, or unforeseen readmittance to hospital, a Convalescent Care bed can be held for a maximum of 14 days.

Note: Convalescent Care cannot be “booked” prior to a scheduled surgery.

Discharge from Convalescent Care

When it is time to return home, a Care Coordinator will help arrange the needed home and community services and supports.

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