

Palliative Care Services Referral Form (Adult)

Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner Referral Form (Adult)

Patient Details and Demographics										
Surname: First Name(s):										
DOB:	Gender: □Male □Fen	nale □Other HCN:								
Address:		City:	City:		Postal Code:					
Primary Phone No.:		Alt. Phone No.:								
☐ Patient has consented to Palliative Care Referral										
Alt. Contact Name:		Relationship: □ POA/SDM □ Spouse □Other:								
Phone Number:	Alt. Phone Number:									
Health Information										
Primary Diagnosis:	Metastases (if applicable):									
Allergies: □No known allergies □ Yes (please indicate):										
Prognosis: □<2 weeks □2 weeks−1 month □<3 month □<6 months □<12 months										
PPS (see page 2 for PPS Scale): □10% □20% □30% □40% □50% □60% □70% □80-100%										
Reason for referral:										
☐Yes ☐No – Resuscitation status discussed with patient ☐Yes ☐No – Patient DNR		☐Yes ☐No – Palliative status discussed with patient ☐Yes ☐No – Patient currently on service with Home & Community Care Support Services Mississauga Halton								
Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner (NP) Referral – <u>IF REQUIRED</u>										
Note: NPs cannot assume care for the patient as MRP. They can help support with consultations and shared care. Urgency: ☐ (< 1 week) e.g. pain or symptom crisis, rapid decline ☐ Routine ** Referrals will be triaged on complexity and care needs. Our team may advise or refer to appropriate resources beyond our team. ☐ One-time Consult ** The NP team may provide a one-time consult or ongoing shared care based on patient need.										
Reason for NP referral - please include prognosis and PPS and reason for referral with clinical notes to ensure timely access										
Referring Practitioner Information										
Name:		<u> </u>	ı	□MRP	Designation: ☐MD ☐NP	□RN				
Phone Number:		Alt. Phone Number:								
gnature: Date:										
Most Responsible Provider Information (if not same a referring practitioner)										
Name:			Designation □NP	n: □MD	☐ MRP aware of re	eferral				
Phone Number:		Alt. Phone Number:								

To qualify for palliative care services (excluding Palliative Care Nurse Practitioners) the patient's prognosis must be <12 months



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Palliative Performance Scale (PPSv2) Version 2

PPS Level	Ambulation	Activity & Evidence of Disease	Self-Care	Intake	Conscious Level	
100%	Full	Normal activity & work No evidence of disease	Full	Normal	Full	
90%	Full	Normal activity & work Some evidence of disease	Full	Normal	Full	
80%	Full	Normal activity with effort Some evidence of disease	Full	Normal or reduced	Full	
70%	Reduced	Unable Normal Job/Work Significant disease	Full	Normal or reduced	Full	
60%	Reduced	Unable hobby/housework Significant disease	Occasional assistance necessary	Normal or reduced	Full or Confusion	
50%	Mainly Sit/Lie	Unable to do any work Extensive disease	Considerable assistance required	Normal or reduced	Full or Confusion	
40%	Mainly in Bed	Unable to do most activity Extensive disease	Mainly assistance	Normal or reduced	Full or Drowsy +/- Confusion	
30%	Totally Bed Bound	Unable to do any activity Extensive disease	Total Care	Normal or reduced	Full or Drowsy +/- Confusion	
20%	Totally Bed Bound	Unable to do any activity Extensive disease	Total Care	Minimal to sips	Full or Drowsy +/- Confusion	
10%	Totally Bed Bound	Unable to do any activity Extensive disease	Total Care	Mouth care only	Drowsy or Coma +/- Confusion	
0%	Death	-	-	-	-	

Mississauga Halton Palliative Care Nurse Practitioners can:

- Provide support to the primary care team and specialist providers to address complex palliative care needs and increase capacity within the region to provide palliative and end of life care.
- Provide shared care with the most responsible provider (MRP)
- Provide face to face patient assessments in home, physician office and/or hospital
- Assist with complex or refractory pain and symptom management (e.g. pain, nausea, dyspnea, anxiety)
- Assist with complex or refractory psychosocial needs of patients and their family during life transitions
- Develop goals of care and/or end of life planning
- Provide strategies to reduce ED visits or hospitalizations
- Assist with complex hospital discharges or other transitions
- Able to follow a patient on a community team with a prognosis 12 months