

NEW AGING AT HOME STRATEGY INITIATIVES FOR SENIORS IN THE MISSISSAUGA HALTON LHIN

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The Mississauga Halton Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) has recently received funding from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for 15 seniors' health service proposals under the Aging at Home Strategy – a four-year, \$1.1 billion initiative designed to help seniors live healthy, independent lives in the comfort and dignity of their own homes.

These first-year initiatives will provide health care services for local seniors and their caregivers. The proposals were submitted to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care by each of the 14 LHINs after community consultations with diverse service providers.

AGING AT HOME STRATEGY APPROVED PROJECTS FOR THE MISSISSAUGA HALTON LHIN

Name of Project	Service Provider	Project Description	2008-09 FUNDING
Supports for Daily Living – Recovery Program	Oakville Senior Citizens Residence	This program will allow faster discharge of clients from hospital who require direct hourly monitoring and supervision. It will also divert those clients who do not require hospitalization but could end up in hospital due to episodic illness (i.e. flu) that has created temporary disability.	\$133,151
Supports for Daily Living – Residential	Oakville Senior Citizens Residence	Expansion of the existing services will have multiple benefits. Average age in this building is 85+ in years and, service needs and acuity have increased. Increasing the existing units of service to 1.5 hours (90 minutes) per day will avert the admission of stable, healthy seniors to Long-Term Care (LTC) Homes.	\$165,467
Supports for Daily Living – Apartment Tower	Oakville Senior Citizens Residence	Extension of a Supports for Daily Living Program into the adjacent apartment tower would result in a further diversion of clients from LTC Homes. With this extension, those clients who have the greatest care needs and require 24/7 support will be targeted.	\$237,043
Supports for Daily Living	Ivan Franko Home (Mississauga)	Increase in evening and night supervision to allow the residence to age at home.	\$53,680

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Supports for Daily Living	Peel Senior Link	Expansion of current capacity in 5 buildings where service is offered in order to allow identified seniors requiring service to age at home.	\$662,527
ASSIST Model Implementation	Credit Valley Hospital (The)	Pilot the ASSIST Model. The Model targets adults age 55 or older residing in the Mississauga Halton LHIN to ensure a proactive approach to health promotion, disease prevention and wellness interventions that may delay or prevent onset of disease in the future.	\$400,000
Short Stay Restorative Program	Ernst & Young (Mississauga Lifecare Centre)	These short-stay beds, offering specific restorative, rehabilitation (transitional) and discharge planning will fill an identified service gap by providing a flow through from acute care to community.	\$1,020,000
Specialized Geriatric Services Review	Credit Valley Hospital (The)	Provide expert advice and, support the development of an accessible, comprehensive, co-ordinated and sustainable continuum of care for seniors within the Mississauga Halton LHIN.	\$70,000
20 Acute Transitional Beds	Trillium Health Centre - Mississauga	40 additional acute care beds, on an interim basis (projected 2 years), to serve up to 600 people awaiting LTC Home placement. Patients will receive focused care to regain strength and maintain functional ability.	\$2,625,000
20 Acute Transitional Beds	Halton Healthcare Services Corporation		
Expand and Develop Geriatric Mental Health Outreach Services	Halton Healthcare Services Corporation	Expansion of geriatric mental health outreach services across Mississauga Halton LHIN and creation of targeted partnerships to strengthen the health and social service continuum responsible for supporting seniors/families affected by serious mental illness and/or behavioural difficulties (e.g. responsive behaviour) residing in community or long term care homes settings.	\$250,000
Mississauga Halton LHIN Falls Prevention Project	Credit Valley Hospital (The)	Implementation of appropriate, individually tailored, progressive program with activities evidenced to improve balance and strength, which are important to preventing falls.	\$206,000

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Building Bridges for Better Health	Mississauga Halton Community Care Access Centre	One-time funding through Mississauga Halton CCAC to Saint Elizabeth to deliver 12 self-management workshops based on the internationally recognized Stanford University's Chronic Disease Self Management Program. The program consists of a series of 2.5 hour workshops spread over six weeks where seniors with different chronic diseases meet to discuss and learn the skills needed to deal with their condition on a day-to-day basis in an effort to maintain and/or increase life's activities and enjoyment.	\$40,000
Mississauga Halton Palliative Care Services	Acclaim Health	Patient/caregiver/public education, capacity in the education program, implement care guidelines within LTC facilities and educate awareness of DNR roles and responsibilities.	\$164,000
Enhanced Seniors and Caregiver Health, Wellness and Quality of Life	India Rainbow Community Services of Peel	Increase service in existing locations to serve 25 new clients from Oakville/Mississauga as well as the addition of a preventative program for healthy seniors.	\$355,942
TOTAL			\$6,382,810

There are other initiatives that will be announced in due course.

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