

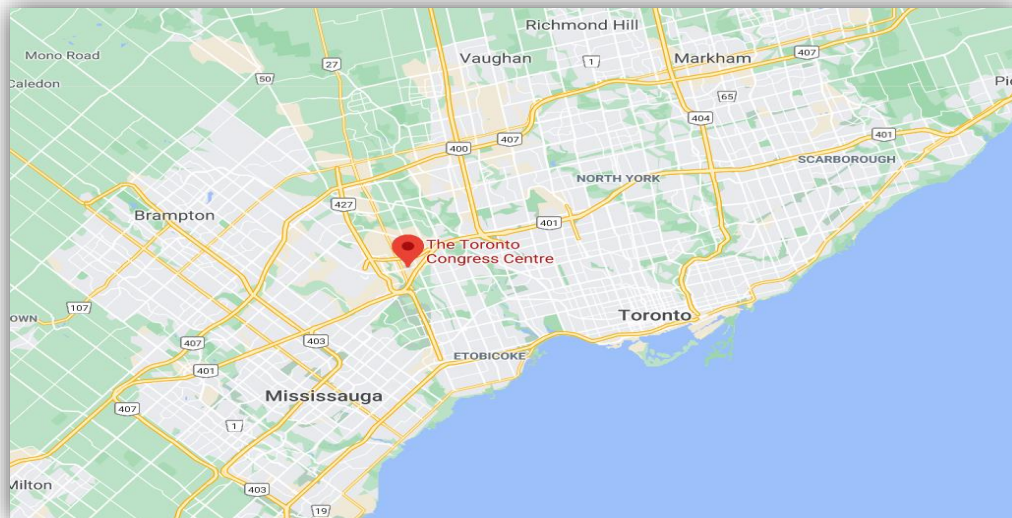
# Specialized Care Centre— Expanded Role

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# Specialized Care Centre (SCC)

- In December 2020, MLTC/MOH asked Toronto Grace w UHN to set up a 90 bed Specialized Care Centre for temporary relocation of LTCH residents from Toronto, York, Peel, Durham to assist LTCH with COVID management. SCC is located at 650 Dixon Road in the Toronto Congress Centre
- In February, the catchment was expanded to include Halton and Simcoe Muskoka.
- In March, SCC role was expanded to provide isolation equivalency as per Directive 3 for new LTCH admissions or impending repatriations.



# SCC Referral Decision Tool- COVID

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The LTC home is located in Toronto, Peel, York, Durham, Simcoe Muskoka or Halton

Does the LTC Home have a COVID outbreak?

No

Priority

Yes

Does the LTC meet any of the these triggers:

LTC home in an area of high community transmission

LTC home is not able to cohort

LTC home has concerns with COVID management or has not had experience with a previous COVID outbreak

LTC home has less than 50% full vaccination rate for residents

Consider referral to the SCC

Does the LTC home meet any of these triggers\*:

LTC home has concerns with COVID management or has not had experience with a previous COVID outbreak

LTC home has 3 or 4 bed rooms occupied

LTC home has less than 75% staffing

LTC home is not able to cohort

IPAC hub and/or MEST has not been able to support LTC home

LTC home has been unable to obtain medical coverage

Limited ability of hospital partner to support LTC home

Recommend referral to the SCC

All referrals should be directed to SCC Director, Patricia Skol (416-925-2251 ext.219 or cell: 416-433-2380 or by email: [pskol@torontograce.org](mailto:pskol@torontograce.org))

*\*This list is not exhaustive. Other circumstances may be considered for referral to the SCC.*

## ***NEW --SCC provides Isolation Equivalency (Directive 3)***

- SCC new role can provide additional support to LTCH in GTA through fulfilling 14 day isolation equivalency for persons admitted to SCC who have been matched to a LTCH bed.
- This means that an additional 14 d isolation is NOT required when the person is transferred to their LTCH.

### **NEW Additional SCC role :**

- 1. Repatriate LTCH residents with existing bed holding** who are in hospital to SCC to fulfill 14 days isolation....and then to LTCH without additional 14d isolation.
- 2. New LTCH admissions with matched LTCH bed available** who can go to SCC to fulfill 14d isolation and then to LTCH without additional 14 d isolation. This can be admissions from community, Crisis 1A or hospital.

Admissions must have been already accepted by LTCH.

## *LTCH Bed Matching Requirements*

- Once a hospital patient/ individual is “**matched**” to a vacant bed with their selected LTCH by the LHIN long term care placement coordinator, the patient/ individual, with consent (or SDM consent) will be transferred/ admitted to SCC to complete their required 14 day isolation period.
- On day 10 --- LHIN long term care placement coordinator will complete “ **bed offer**” to the LTCH applicant ( or SDM).
- The **move- in date** to the LTCH bed must be within 5 days. Where a SCC patient cannot be transferred on day 15, the placement coordinator should work with patient ( or SDM) and the LTCH directly.
- Subsection 167 (2) provides that the placement coordinator is not required to remove an applicant from every waiting list if the conditions in that subsection are met.
- *Reopening Ontario Act* permits licensees to use flexible process for admission, transfer and discharge of persons.
- *Once the 14 d isolation requirements is fulfilled at the SCC, then the resident would **not need to have an additional 14 d isolation at the LTCH.***

# Clinical Criteria for SCC

There are 4 distinct clinical pods at SCC with capacity to cohort Covid positive, Covid recovered or Covid negative persons separately.

Inclusion	Exclusion
Expected LOS <30 days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This may be reduced based on capacity requirements of Specialized Care Centre</li> </ul>	Transfers with the sole intent of reducing bed size from 4 or 3 bed long term care home bedded rooms to 2 bed rooms, without any identifiable COVID risk in the home
Valid OHIP	Specialized care needs (e.g., bariatric, severe behaviours, etc.)
Patient on IFH (no OHIP)	Tracheostomies
COVID positive	Suction requirements
COVID negative	AGMP
Medically stable	CPAP- BiPAP-AGMP
Hoyer lift/mechanical lift	Medically unstable
Patients with pressure injuries (all stages) and wounds	Active psychosis or suicidal ideations
Oral or enterally fed (G/J/GJ )	Behaviours with potential to harm self or others - Advanced Dementia- wandering
Weight less than 300 lbs (consider height/ weight ratio)	Requiring restraints (physical/chemical)
Ostomies/catheters	TPN (total parental nutrition)
O2 by nasal prongs only	NG tube
Dialysis if able to create transfers to dialysis site	Patients with infectious TB and active CPE (carbapenemase-producing enterobacteriaceae)
	Active substance use
	Ventilator
	Central lines
	Paracentesis

# Model of Care at SCC

The SCC-Toronto Grace multidisciplinary clinical care team is composed of:

- Medical Director - Dr. John Ruth (Geriatrician); Hospitalist- Dr. Karen Arcot
- Clinical Team: Patient care manager, RNs, RPNs, PSW, OT, PT, rehabilitation assistants, pharmacy, mental health, SW, Chaplaincy, Lab, IPAC

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**Questions?**