

## News Release

### **Keeping Ontarians Healthier at Home in SE LHIN** *McGuinty Government Providing More Access to Community Services*

November 23, 2012

#### **NEWS**

Local residents – especially seniors – in the South East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) now have more options for care and to live independently in their homes.

This year, the Ontario government is increasing support for community services in the SE LHIN, and increasing access to treatment for people addicted to opioids by:

- Initiating a new program with the Alzheimer Society of Leeds and Grenville to address needs of clients with Alzheimer's and their caregivers;
- Providing additional funding to address the growing demand on the Victorian Order of Nurses, Seniors Managing Independent Living Easily (SMILE) program;
- Supporting additional Home First needs through the South East Community Care Access Centre;
- Providing support for the relocation of the Smith Falls Adult Day Program;
- Supporting a one week intensive residential healing program for male and female victims of sexual assault and abuse – the only program of its' kind in Ontario;
- Increasing support for stroke survivor and caregiver support groups through a Regional Stroke Network

These investments will help local residents return home sooner following a hospital stay as hospitals, community based agencies and other partners work together to meet the healthcare needs of local residents. It also will help free up hospital and long-term care beds, shorten emergency room wait times and reduce the number of re-admitted patients.

Across the province, 90,000 more seniors will receive care at home thanks to an additional three million personal support worker hours over the next three years.

Increased support for home care and community services helps to provide the right care, at the right time, in the right place and is part of Ontario's [Action Plan for Health Care](#).

#### **QUOTES**

"We are pleased to receive this funding. The South East CCAC currently serves more than 12,000 individuals daily. Not only are we serving more clients, but we are also seeing an increase in high needs clients. Investing in home and community care is key to the vision of right care in the right place at the right cost."

— Jacqueline Redmond, CEO of the South East CCAC

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“We know that residents in the SE LHIN want to be able to receive care in their community and in their homes. With this investment we’ll be able to provide the type of care our patients, particularly seniors, want and need.”

— Paul Huras, SE LHIN CEO

“As our population ages, our health care system needs to change so that our seniors can receive care at home and in the community. Today’s announcement makes sure that the community health agencies providing this care get the support they need to expand their services.”

— John Gerretsen, MPP, Kingston and The Islands

“We’ve made the right choice to invest our precious health care dollars where they are most needed – in home and community care. This will allow more Ontarians to live independently at home, and reduce pressure on hospitals and long-term care homes.”

— Deb Matthews, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

### QUICK FACTS

- Assisting seniors to live independently at home helps improve hospital patient flow and shorten wait times in emergency rooms.
- Over the next 20 years, the number of seniors living in Ontario will double. In the SE region the number of seniors is expected to grow by 80 per cent growing the population of over 65 to 30 per cent by the year 2032, or one in every four living in the SE region
- This investment is part of the 2012 Ontario Budget commitment to increase funding for community and home care services.
- South East Community Care Access Centre will receive an increased base allocation funding of \$3.5 million to support more patients and higher needs patients in the community including but not limited to the spread and sustainability of Home First

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**More Support for SE LHIN**

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Ontario is helping the South East Local Integration Health Network (LHIN) and LHINs across the province provide more seniors with care at home reduce unnecessary emergency room visits and readmissions, decrease the number of patients waiting for alternate levels of care, and increase local addiction services.

This investment is helping deliver on [Ontario’s Action Plan for Health Care](#) by providing care the right care at the right time and in the right place.

The SE LHIN is receiving an increase of \$6.2 million to fund local programs this year; \$3.5 million will be allocated to the South East Community Care Access Centre (SE CCAC) with the remaining \$2.2 million to the following programs:

These include:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Service Provider</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>2012/2013 Funding</b>
Transitional Aged Youth Program Development	Youthab Inc.- Mental Health	Phase 1 analysis of transitional aged youth programs across SE LHIN is complete. Building on recommendations in the final report Youthab will develop Transitional Aged Youth program in HPE initially with plan to implement in KFL&A after HPE program is fully functional.	\$160,830
InterRAI Screener Implementation / Community Capacity Building Fund	VON - Community Support Services	Funding in 2012-13 will assist in the implementation of InterRAI Screener across the SE LHIN and complete value stream mapping exercises to ensure data collection and information sharing is more streamlined. This fund will become base to SE LHIN for use annually on projects that increase the capacity of community agencies.	\$150,000

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Community Support Services Home Support Assessment and Care Plan Coordinators	Community Care for Central Hastings - Community Support Services	Four Geographically based full-time employees that will complete assessments and create care plans for clients in regional programs or new to the CSS Home Support agencies. There will also be a requirement to complete reassessments every 6 months allowing data to be collected on clients receiving CSS services to determine effectiveness of CSS services over time. Currently the majority of CSS agencies do not complete reassessments or track client trajectory over time.	\$142,500
Residential Healing Program	Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District - Mental Health & Addictions	One week intensive therapy in a residential setting for male and female victims of sexual assault/abuse with linkages to addictions and mental health services that continue after week is complete. Only residential program in Ontario and already receiving referrals from across the province.	\$305,500
Regional Stroke Network - Community Support Services	Lanark Leeds Grenville and Hastings-Prince Edward Stroke Survivor & Caregiver Support Groups	Increased quality of life, reduced caregiver burnout, reduced ER visits and 30 re-admits.	\$27,825
Rideau Community Health Services and Primary Care	Rideau Community Health Services - Community	Addition of primary care pharmacists at RCHS and 4 Primary Care locations within the region to assist with clients that have multiple medications. ER visits for adverse	\$91,500

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Partners Pharmacists	Health Centres	reactions to medication in SE LHIN are twice the provincial average.	
Ontario Telemedicine Network - Telemedicine Initiative Administrative Requirements	Belleville and Quinte West Community Health Centre - Primary Care	Province allocated 14 Full Time Equivalent Nursing positions in the SE LHIN for OTN Telemedicine Initiative; however funding only included Salaries and Benefits. Funding is one time for administrative costs in 2012-13; with expectation that evaluation at year end will determine expected administrative costs in 2013-14.	\$54,000
Community Health Centre High Risk Users Program	Belleville and Quinte West Community Health Centre - Community Health Centres	Identification and targeted services for the 10% of population that struggles with health issues, most often comorbidities, resulting in frequent ER visits and avoidable hospital admissions. We will request 4 CHC's to work together to implement in the SE LHIN region.	\$154,000
Relocation of Smiths Falls Adult Day Program	Alzheimer's Lanark County - Community Support Services	Current location of Smiths Falls Adult Day Program (ADP) is a safety issue for both clients and staff. Relocation would put ADP in same location as local CHC and CSS agencies and provide space to increase service provision. Increased presence of system navigation on site and will be location for memory clinic	\$147,000

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Combine Home Help/Security with Home Maintenance for Rural Community Support Services	Community Care for Central Hastings - Community Support Services	Rural Community Support Services agencies have identified a lack of demand for Home Help/Security and an increase in Home Maintenance requests. This would shift existing funding from Home Help/Security program area to Home Maintenance and add additional service provision.	\$20,000
Remote Communication System for Rural CSS	Community Home Support Lanark County - Community Support Services	Funding to purchase GPS/Pager devices for volunteers/workers going to client's homes in remote rural location. Will also be used for clients in remote location at initial assessment as temporary measure until helpline services can be put in place for client.	\$5,375
Alzheimer's Memory Clinic	Alzheimer's Leeds and Grenville - Community Support Services	Program set in FHT/Primary Care offices with specific resources and knowledge and skill set-to address needs of clients with Alzheimer's and their caregivers.	\$42,300
Anti-Stigma Campaign	Mental Health Support Network - Mental Health and Addictions	Funding to provide additional Anti-Stigma training within the SE LHIN.	\$15,000
Mental Health Independent Activities of Daily Living Support	Mental Health Services Hastings Prince Edward - Mental Health	Program designed to assist clients with a serious mental illness living in the community with Independent Activities of Daily Living.	\$31,000

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Assisted Living for Seniors in Congregate Setting	South East Community Care Access Centre	Leveraging CCAC resources and experience from Bowling Green initiative create two to three additional Assisting Living for Seniors in Congregate Setting locations. Brockville and Perth, and Smiths Falls are currently locations with 3rd location TBD based on need.	\$360,000
SMILE - additional clients	VON - Community Support Services	Funding is to provide services to additional clients. Current wait list is growing and demand is increasing.	\$200,000
<b>TOTAL Allocated</b>			<b>\$1,906,830</b>

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### Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District One-Week Residential Healing Program - Belleville

The Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District residential healing program is a one week intensive therapy in a residential setting, predominantly for male and female victims of sexual assault/abuse. The program also has linkages to addictions and mental health services that continue after the week is complete.

This is the only residential program of its kind in Ontario and is already receiving referrals from across the province.

It is expected that 240 people will receive the intensive residential therapy annually.

#### Quotes

“The Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District is extremely pleased to have received funding for our Residential Healing Program. We would like to thank the South East LHIN and the government of Ontario for their vision in recognizing the need for this one of a kind model, and especially for providing the funding to make it available to both male and female survivors of sexual violence in Ontario.”

- Kim Charlebois, Executive Director – Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District