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Convalescent Care Returns to Perley Health

Closed during the pandemic, the 34-bed short-stay unit to re-open before the year's end!

November 1st, 2022 – Ottawa, ON. Convalescent care will return to [Perley Health](#) with the re-opening of 34 beds before the end of this year.

Convalescent care is available for clients who no longer need to be in hospital, but who are still unable to return home. The unit provides clients with supportive and rehabilitative care, focused on physical recovery and overall well-being, to regain health and strength after an illness or surgery. The majority of the costs for this program are covered by OHIP, for up to 90 days per year.

Perley Health established a 13-bed unit devoted to convalescent care in 2013. The unit addresses an unmet need in the community and proves to be so successful, it was twice expanded to reach its current capacity of 34 beds and is increasingly emulated by long-term care centres in the region.

“The reopening of this specialty unit is an important milestone in our return of services,” explains Akos Hoffer, CEO, Perley Health. “We have the people, the expertise and the history to provide this important service to support the healthcare system in the Champlain region.”

The convalescent care unit was closed by directive of Ontario government in March 2020 and will have been closed for more than 1,000 days when it welcomes the return of clients before the end of the year.

Home and Community Care Support Services Champlain is responsible for the admissions process and for determining eligibility and managing the wait list.

In October, Respite House at Perley Health, another short-stay service, re-opened to welcome guests for overnight stays along with daytime visits.

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[Perley Health](#) is a unique and innovative community that empowers Seniors and Veterans to live life to the fullest. Home to more than 600 Seniors and Veterans in long-term care and in independent apartments, Perley Health provides a growing number of clinical, therapeutic and recreational services to residents, tenants and people from across the region. One of the largest and most progressive long-term care homes in Ontario, Perley Health is also a centre for research, education, and clinical innovation. Its Centre of Excellence in Frailty-Informed Care conducts and shares the practical research needed to improve care. Future caregivers come here to study and to acquire hands-on skills and experience.