

THE COST TO YOU:

There is a daily charge for the respite stay as well as an automatic daily telephone charge. If your family member chooses to access TV in his/her room, there will also be a charge per diem.

On admission day, you must register at the Emergency Department registration desk. Please have the patient's OHIP card ready. You will be asked to sign an Financial Responsibility Agreement to request/decline TV and phone services. You may choose to settle the respite patient into his/her room prior to registering.

Respite applicants must reside within the programme's service area and/or must have a physician with admitting privileges at The Credit Valley Hospital.

For further information regarding the service area, contact the Social Work Department at (905) 813-2399.

OTHER RESPITE SERVICE IN THE PEEL REGION:

TRILLIUM HEALTH CENTRE
COMMUNITY CARE COORDINATION
DEPARTMENT
416-259-2573

COMMUNITY CARE ACCESS
CENTRE OF PEEL
905-796-0040

CENTRAL PARK LODGES
24 HOUR HOTLINE
416-606-1274

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT
RESPITE CARE
PLEASE CALL THE
SOCIAL WORK
DEPARTMENT AT
THE CREDIT VALLEY HOSPITAL
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Respite Care



What is Respite Care?

The Credit Valley Hospital respite programme provides relief to families who are caring on a full time basis for an ill or disabled family member.

Respite applicants must reside within the programme's service area and/or must have a physician with admitting privileges at The Credit Valley Hospital.

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The Application Process

To apply for a respite bed, please contact the social work department to request continuing community care service forms. The applicant's family member or primary care giver must ensure that these forms are filled out completely.

If a community nurse is involved in the applicant's care, the nurse may assist in filling out the pink functional assessment form. The yellow medical form must be filled out by the applicant's family

physician. The forms may then be returned to the social work department.

Reserving a Respite Bed

Presently, each applicant's family is eligible to receive a maximum of four weeks of relief per year. This time may be taken all at once or divided. If your preferred time is not available, it is best to place the applicant's name on the respite waiting list. The social work department can notify you of any openings resulting from cancellations. Reservations should be made well in advance.

Prior to admission, the care giver will receive a respite package. Please be sure that the respite bed agreement is signed and returned to the social work department. To accommodate all patients, adherence to the discharge date and time is strictly enforced.

Please contact the social work department at least two weeks prior to the admission day to confirm.

If you choose to cancel your reservation, please contact the social work department as soon as possible.

What To Bring

The continuing care unit encourages a home-like atmosphere. To ensure a comfortable respite stay, it is requested that the following items accompany the patient:

- everyday clothing
- appropriate toiletries
- assistive devices (i.e. wheelchair, walker, brace, bathtub stool, incontinent supplies)
- an updated list of the respite patient's medications and dosages will be requested by a unit nurse upon admission so that the hospital's pharmacy can provide necessary medications during the patient's hospital stay. To assist in the development of this list, please bring your family member's current prescription bottles with labels attached.

A few personal items such as photos may also be brought to make your family member's stay as pleasant as possible.

Please label clothing and any assistive devices with the respite patient's name.