

# Partnering to improve health and wellness in Georgina

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# Introduction to our organizations

## Southlake

- Serving the communities of northern York Region and southern Simcoe County.
- Team of nearly 6,000 staff, physicians, volunteers, students, learners and Patient and Family Advisors.
- A member of the Northern York South Simcoe Ontario Health Team, we are working with our partners to deliver connected care to the communities we serve.

## Northern York South Simcoe Ontario Health Team

- Partnership of healthcare organizations working together to improve care in northern York Region and southern Simcoe County.
- Partner organizations include primary care, homecare, community support services, mental health, long-term care, paramedic services and hospital.

**Between April 1, 2022 and March 31, 2023 residents of Georgina had 20,972 Emergency Department visits in Ontario hospitals...**

Hospital	Visits	Percent of total Georgina ED visits
Southlake	16,276	77.6%
Oak Valley	2,439	11.6%
Mackenzie Health	431	2.1%
SickKids	215	1.0%
Sunnybrook	132	0.6%
RVH	84	0.4%
All other hospitals	1,395	6.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,972</b>	<b>100%</b>

57 residents of Georgina seek care in an Emergency Department each day. On average, 45 of these people come to Southlake.

**...and 4,565 admissions to Ontario hospitals.**

Hospital	Admissions	Percent of total Georgina admissions
Southlake	3,354	73.5%
Oak Valley	382	8.4%
Mackenzie Health	122	2.7%
Sunnybrook	119	2.6%
UHN	103	2.3%
RVH	34	0.7%
All other hospitals	451	9.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,565</b>	<b>100%</b>

12.5 residents of Georgina are admitted to a hospital each day. On average, 9 of these people are admitted at Southlake.

# Current collaborations in Georgina

- New Primary Care Team and Clinic to serve over 2,700 people, including virtual services and a mobile clinic. The team will include family doctors, nurse practitioners and other healthcare providers (opening late summer 2024).
- New Primary Care Paediatric Clinic in Keswick (opening summer 2024).
- Partnership with Routes (community organization) to improve access to cancer screening for marginalized communities.
- Georgina Community Action Table (GCAT) to address unique local needs and identify solutions.
- Southlake's Assertive Community Treatment Team offers care to people with serious mental health issues like schizophrenia. Care is provided by a multidisciplinary team and delivered in community settings like the library. Last year the team provided 13,400 visits.
- Southlake provides ultrasound and x-ray services in Keswick (Monday-Friday). Last year the clinic provided more than 3,900 x-ray exams and 2,800 ultrasounds.
- Southlake's Family Medicine Residency Program is helping to bring more family doctors to Georgina. Since 2015, six new physicians have set up practices in Georgina and are currently take care of nearly 10,000 patients.

# Our vision for the future

We have an exciting opportunity to partner closer together to improve access to healthcare services for residents of Georgina. By taking a collaborative approach we can improve coordination of initiatives, reduce duplication of efforts and make a bigger impact.

Central to this collaboration will be the development of a new healthcare facility in Georgina to provide a suite of services to residents. Services in the facility will help address the most pressing needs of the community.

Services will be designed to offer high quality care close to home, reducing the need for residents to travel to Southlake in Newmarket to receive care.

## MOU areas of focus:

- Health facilities and resources
- New and expanded health and wellness programs
- Advocacy and community engagement
- Data sharing
- Research and innovation

# Our vision for the future – some examples



**The Town of the Georgina, Southlake and the NYSS OHT are excited to partner to better serve the residents of the community.**

**We are looking forward to your endorsement and to working together to improve the health of the community we all serve.**

**Thank you!**