

Temiskaming Hospital

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Health Care Connect Program

There is a new provincial **Health Care Connect Program** to help you find a family health care provider. You may want to register for the program if:

- You are actively looking for a regular provider;
- You have a valid OHIP number; and
- You are not currently enrolled with a family health care provider according to Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) records.

How the program works:

- You will be asked to complete a health information questionnaire to determine your level of need;
- This information will be given to a nurse in your community, called a Care Connector;
- Your Care Connector will attempt to find a family health care provider for you by:
 - reviewing your health information with you;
 - contacting you with additional questions if needed; and
 - working with **local family health care providers** to determine who may be accepting new patients in your community.

Registering **does not guarantee that a family health care provider will be found for you** nor does the program provide health care advice, service or treatment. However, it could help with recruitment of healthcare professionals to our area as the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) will now have a record of those individuals in our community that do not have a family doctor.

Don't delay, call 1-800-445-1822 today. For more information, you could also visit *Your Health Care Options* website at www.ontario.ca/healthcareoptions



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(705) 647-8121
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Visiting Hours:

- 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for medical patients, surgical patients and Long-Term Care patients;
- 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. for obstetrics patients;
- Visitors to the Special Care Unit (SCU) are restricted to immediate family and/or significant other(s).