

GuestHouse

A home away from home

FACT SHEET

<p>What is the Guest House?</p>	<p>A partnership of the Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre, the Alzheimer Society of Ottawa, and Carefor Health & Community Services, the Guest House provides respite care for persons in the early to mid-stage of dementia.</p> <p>The Guest House is a 12 bedroom bungalow located on the campus of the Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre. It has been planned and designed to create a safe, homelike and supportive environment for persons in the early to mid-stage of dementia. The Guest House will provide short and long term, planned and emergency respite stays. Services are available in English and French.</p>
<p>Who is it for?</p>	<p>The Guest House is intended to offer caregivers of individuals with dementia a break from the stresses of caregiving, by providing a specially designed environment and program for their loved ones who live in Eastern Counties, Ottawa and Renfrew County.</p>
<p>How long can a guest stay?</p>	<p>Guests can stay 24 hours a day, with emergency, overnight, and flexible accommodation available. The total maximum length of stay per guest in a year is 90 days.</p> <p>Guests [clients already registered] may also be accommodated for sudden, unplanned stays if the caregiver experiences a health or family emergency.</p>
<p>What is the admission procedure for the Guest House?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact your Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) case manager to request the Guest House. If you do not have a CCAC case manager, call the CCAC "intake person" in your area to arrange for an assessment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - in the Eastern Counties, call 613-936-1171 or 1-800-267-0852 - in Ottawa, call 613-745-5525 or 1-800-538-0520 - in Renfrew County, call 613-732-7007 or 1-888-421-2222 • An assessment will be completed to determine eligibility. • A referral will be made to the Program Manager of the Guest House. <p style="text-align: right;">(cont'd)</p>



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<p>What is the admission procedure for the Guest House?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An onsite visit to the Guest House for both the person with dementia and their caregiver will be arranged. • The caregiver will be given a Personal Care Book to complete which will assist the staff to develop an individualized plan of care for the prospective guest.
<p>What are the Admission Criteria for staying in the Guest House?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals in the early to mid-stage of dementia will be accepted. • Individuals with physical disabilities may be eligible. • Individuals must be medically stable. • Individuals at risk of harming themselves or others would not be eligible for the Guest House. • Individuals who require full assistance with activities of daily living because of dementia would not be eligible. Respite is available in long term care homes for clients requiring this level of assistance.
<p>How much does it cost to stay in the Guest House?</p>	<p>The cost per day to the guest is \$32.37. The remainder of the per diem cost is subsidized by the Provincial Government. Options will be explored to provide financial assistance to those unable to pay the full guest co-payment.</p> <p>The daily rate covers accommodation in a private room with a 3-piece bathroom, all meals and snacks, personal laundry, linen, housekeeping services and all program activities. Guests have the full use of the common spaces in the Guest House – living, dining, family room, and kitchen as well as a safe and secure outdoor yard.</p>
<p>Will there be a waiting list for the Guest House?</p>	<p>It is expected that with advance planning on the part of caregivers there will not be a waiting list for stays in the Guest House. Caregivers may be able to schedule their planned respite around the availability of accommodation in the Guest House.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(cont'd)</p>



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<p>What kind of activities will guests be involved in during their stay?</p>	<p>The Guest House will provide a daily routine similar to what a guest will have had in their own home. Guests will have the opportunity to be involved in meal preparation, making beds, tidying rooms and common spaces, doing laundry as needed, caring for plants or gardens.</p> <p>In addition, guests will be encouraged to participate in meaningful leisure activities such as discussion groups, games, art, music, walking, reading etc.</p>
<p>Who can I contact for more information about the Guest House?</p>	<p>Guest House Program Manager or Team Leader at 613-247-1664.</p>
<p>When will the Guest House open?</p>	<p>The Guest House opened at the end of March 2007.</p>

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