

125 New Long-Term Care Beds in Clarington

Province creating 30,000 More Beds Across the Province Over the Next Decade

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Ontario is opening 125 new long-term care beds in Clarington that will help seniors access the care they need, closer to home and bring the total number of beds to 224 at Glen Hill Strathaven.

Granville Anderson, MPP for Durham, was in Bowmanville today to make the announcement as part of a commitment to create [5,000 long-term care beds](#) over the next four years and more than 30,000 across the province over the next decade.

This investment is part of [Aging with Confidence: Ontario's Action Plan for Seniors, which will help ensure seniors can access the supports they need at every stage of their lives. The plan includes 15 million more hours of nursing, personal support and therapeutic care for long-term care home residents, a new annual high-dose influenza vaccine that is targeted to protect seniors and will be available free of charge starting in the 2018-19 flu season, and a new \[one-stop website\]\(#\) where seniors can find information about tax credits, drug coverage, powers of attorney, recreation programs and more.](#)

Helping seniors access the care they need is part of Ontario's plan to create fairness and opportunity during this period of rapid economic change. The plan includes a higher minimum wage and better working conditions, free tuition for hundreds of thousands of students, easier access to affordable child care, and free prescription drugs for everyone under 25 through the biggest expansion of medicare in a generation.

QUOTES

“Our government is committed to supporting Ontario residents who rely on long-term care homes for their ongoing health and personal care needs. By adding 125 new long-care beds to the redevelopment of the Glen Hill Strathaven in Clarington we are helping more seniors access the care they need in their community, close to family and friends.”

— Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

“I am absolutely delighted that our government is committing approximately \$36.4 million for the redevelopment of Glen Hill Strathaven in Clarington. Durham residents deserve to have quality, home-like long-term care options that are close to their loved ones, and a new 224-bed home will provide just that. I thank the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Durham Christian Homes, and local advocates for helping to make this wonderful announcement possible.”

— Granville Anderson, MPP Durham

“Today’s announcement is welcomed by the Central East LHIN as we work with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, our local MPPs and our health and social services partners to ensure that local residents can live in their own communities. By working together we can take care of patients now and into the future.”

-- Louis O’Brien, Board Chair, Central East LHIN

“Our organization has been committed to building community and enriching the lives of long-term care residents and seniors in Durham since 1988. The announcement made today by MPP Granville Anderson will ensure that seniors will receive the care they require in their community. As the sole charitable and not-for-profit provider in Durham, we are honoured to be able to continue to provide resident centered, individualized, quality care to our most vulnerable residents. With the addition of 125 new bed licences, we are pleased to work with government on our future Glen Hill Strathaven redevelopment plans to build a new home for 224 long-term care residents. We are delighted to be awarded these beds and look forward to enriching the lives of the residents we serve and those who serve them. “

--Ruth McFarlane, CEO, Durham Christian Homes Society Inc.

QUICK FACTS

- Opening more long-term care beds is part of [Aging with Confidence: Ontario’s Action Plan for Seniors](#) which is investing more than \$155 million over three years to ensure seniors can access the supports they need.
- In addition to creating 30,000 new long-term care beds, Ontario is also supporting the redevelopment of 30,000 long-term care beds in 300 homes across the province by 2025, including eliminating all four-bed wards.
- The province has nearly doubled its funding for long-term care since 2003, from \$2.1 billion to more than \$4.14 billion.

LEARN MORE

- [Aging with Confidence: Ontario’s Action Plan for Seniors](#)
- [Ontario’s Enhanced Long-Term Care Home Renewal Strategy](#)
- [Information for Seniors](#)
- [Patients First: Action Plan for Health Care](#)

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