



HEALTH CARE UPDATE

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A Winning Community –Based Solution for High-Needs Seniors

The LHINs are getting people the right services at the right time, creating efficiencies and finding savings.

The Mississauga Halton LHIN is proud to announce that it is the recipient of the prestigious 3M National Award for Health Care Quality at the National Conference of Canadian Health Care Leaders, on June 7th 2011.

Beating-out many other innovative and impactful programs, Mississauga Halton LHIN's Supports for Daily Living program was the recipient in the non-acute category. Graeme Goebelle, Chair of Mississauga Halton LHIN noted that this is a monumental achievement, not only for the many seniors, clients and families who have been touched by this program, but for local health care decision making in Ontario.

Supports for Daily Living (SDL) is an innovative regional service delivery model that targets high-needs seniors who want to, and are able to, continue living in their own homes with access to supports over a 24-hour period. SDL bridges the gap between scheduled home care visits and long-term care. This pioneering initiative has had proven success in reducing hospital stays for seniors, reducing unnecessary ER visits and in developing alternatives in the community to avoid long-term care home placement for seniors who do not need this level of care.

The Supports for Daily Living Program Realized Over \$10 Million in Savings

- **Eliminated: 2905 Hospital Days- \$3 million**
- **Eliminated: 2080 ER Visits- \$428,000**
- **Saved: Long-Term Care Admissions -\$7 million**

Greg Sage, Halton Chief of EMS: *"The Supports for Daily Living program is a very important initiative in a community such as ours here in Halton region that is growing very rapidly and has a large population of seniors. So certainly any program that enables those seniors to remain in their residence benefits the system in general as there's a reduced requirement for utilization of the already busy emergency rooms, and the Supports for Daily Living program is obviously achieving those goals."*

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