

Stem Cell Transplant Therapy Hotel Support Program

What is the Stem Cell Transplant Therapy Hotel Support Program?

The Hotel Support Program is available to eligible patients, caregivers and donors to let them stay near the Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre during the time of their treatment for **allogeneic and autologous** stem cell transplant therapy. Accommodation is provided for the pre-transplant consult and assessments, during the stem cell transplant phase and follow up care.

Who is eligible for this program?

- Patients and their caregivers who live greater than 100 km travel distance one way from the Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre and are receiving an allogeneic or autologous Stem Cell Transplant (SCT) are eligible for this accommodation program.
- Donors who also must travel a minimum of 100 km one way to provide stem cells are also eligible for this program if they are not able to donate closer to home.
- Patients must be over 18 or approved for SCT in an adult centre and have valid Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) coverage.
- If you have had a transplant in the past year.

Where would I be staying?



STAYBRIDGE SUITES HOTEL
20 Caroline Street South
Hamilton, Ontario
L8P 0B1 Canada
(905) 527-1001

- Hotel suite style rooms with a private bathroom, TV, DVD, free wireless internet and kitchenette. Kitchenette has a full refrigerator, microwave, stovetop, dishwasher, dishes and cutlery.
- Staybridge Suites rooms are available 24 hours per day, seven days per week and the hotel is wheelchair accessible.
- If the Staybridge Suites Hotel is full, similar accommodation nearby will be arranged.

What is the cost?

- There is no cost for the **STANDARD** room
 - 1 Queen Bed and a pull out couch.
- The cancer program pays for the cost of the room alone.
- If you choose to **upgrade**,
 - 2 bedroom suite upgrade fee would be \$50.00 plus taxes per night.
 - 1 bedroom with 2 queen size beds, the upgrade fee is \$20.00 plus taxes per night.

**** Please ensure that you call Staybridge to confirm the room upgrade charges. The hospital will not be held responsible for any changes that are not reflected in this flyer. ****

- The Staybridge Suites is pet friendly. The fee is \$10.00 per day up to \$100.00
- **Parking** is not covered by the Cancer program. Please check with Staybridge about the rates.
- All other costs such as long distance phone, room service, pet etc. will be paid by the patient, caregiver or donors directly to the hotel.

Are meals provided?

- Meals will not be financially provided but rooms have a kitchenette to prepare foods.
- A breakfast buffet featuring “hot & cold items” is provided daily included with the cost of the room.
- Light Dinner (The Social) is available on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
- There are also restaurants within walking distance.

Can I bring my caregiver with me?

- Yes a caregiver can share the suite and stay with the patient.
- If the patient is admitted into the hospital for more than 2 days, the hotel room at Staybridge **is no longer paid** for by the cancer program. The Cancer program will not cover the cost of the room for the caregiver if the patient is not also staying in the room.

How do I get to my appointments at the Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre (JHCC)?

- You may choose to drive to the JHCC for appointments or transportation may be arranged through the Canadian Cancer Society. To register contact 1-800-263-6750.

What should I bring?

- Health card and appointment card.
- All of your medications.

- Daily care items such as soap, shampoo, deodorant, tissues, sanitary supplies.
- Loose comfortable clothing and shoes for indoor wear.

How do I register for check-in and check-out?

- For your pre-transplant appointments, your BMT coordinator will assist you. Please speak with them to confirm the dates.
- While in hospital admission, your C4 Social Worker will assist in booking your room upon discharge.
- When you are **checking out** of the hotel please also contact your BMT coordinator. If you are not in your hotel room for more than two days at a time, yet keep your personal effects there, you may be charged directly for the use of the room.
- Please let us know as soon as possible if you need to **cancel** a booking by informing your social worker or contacting another member of your transplant team such as the BMT coordinator.

Important Addresses:

Juravinski Cancer Centre (for outpatient appointments) is located at: 699 Concession St., Hamilton

Juravinski Hospital (for admission to C4 or ODS) is located at: 711 Concession St., Hamilton