

Ministry of Long-Term Care

Temporary Emergency Long-Term Care Home Capacity

Questions and Answers

1. Are there specific requirements for the unused space/capacity?

Licensees/long-term care homes should ensure the space requirements will be suitable to accommodate a resident in the space. Questions regarding the appropriateness of space can be redirected to the Ministry at LTCHomes.Licensing@ontario.ca.

Long-term care homes are encouraged to work with their respective placement coordinators to ensure the most appropriate resident is placed in the expanded capacity.

2. Is there a deadline to submit the Temporary Emergency Long-Term Home Capacity form?

Given the current pandemic emergency facing hospitals, licensees are encouraged to submit the form as early as possible.

3. Are licensees required to submit the Temporary Emergency Long-Term Home Capacity form if they have already received a temporary emergency licence for the spaces they have identified to the Ministry?

Licensees who have already received a temporary emergency licence for additional capacity in response to the pandemic are not required to submit the form, unless they have additional unlicensed capacity that can be utilized.

4. Are all long-term care homes required to complete the Temporary Emergency Long-Term Care Home Capacity Form?

Only those long-term care homes that have additional unlicensed capacity to accommodate residents, should complete and submit the form.

5. Are Licensees required to identify spaces they use for infection control, palliative care or other purposes?

It is at the discretion of the licensee to determine whether spaces can be used for resident accommodation or are required for other purposes.

6. Is the Ministry open to reviewing proposals for buildings/spaces to be licensed to provide long-term care?

The Ministry is open to reviewing all proposals and encourages licensees to contact the ministry directly for proposals to operate long-term care, beyond the addition of beds being added to an existing home.

7. When can a long-term care home admit a resident into the unused capacity?

The Ministry will be issuing temporary emergency licences where it is determined the capacity is suitable for resident accommodation. A bed is deemed licensed to be in operation for the duration captured on the issued license.

8. How will these beds be funded?

Beds licensed through this process will receive funding at the long-stay per diem rate, in keeping with other long-stay beds across the province.