

Organization:	Brant Community Health Care System
Program Name:	Outpatient Acute Neurological Rehabilitation Program
Program Description:	<p>Short-term intensive outpatient neuro-rehab program delivered by an inter-professional team of health professionals including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Physiotherapy - Occupational Therapy - Speech Language Pathology - Social Work <p>Goals of the program are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To facilitate flow through BCHS continuum of care • To support hospital discharges • To prevent admissions or readmissions • To transition patients to ongoing community supports and resources. <p>Referrals to other disciplines within the program may occur based on assessed patient need.</p>
Admission Criteria:	<p>Patients must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be 18 years of age or older. - Be medically stable. - Have a recent onset (less than one year) and a diagnosis of CVA or other neurological condition or a recent change in function related to this diagnosis. - Have a fully completed referral form signed by a medical doctor or nurse practitioner. - Have restorative potential to achieve defined functional realistic rehabilitation goals in an outpatient clinical setting with short-term, time-limited treatment. - Have the cognitive ability, tolerance level, and willingness to learn and participate. - Be able to access and manage transportation to BCHS for in person appointments. - Have a telephone and/or device with internet access and a webcam for virtual meetings if deemed the appropriate method of therapy. - Be accompanied by a family member, friend or attendant, if it is necessary for achieving the patients rehab goals and to assist with bowel and bladder management in the clinic.
Exclusion Criteria:	<p>Patients will not be accepted to the program when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They require a bedded level of care. - They have behaviors that may interfere with or limit participation in rehabilitation for themselves and others. - They are unable to attend regularly scheduled appointments. - They have already participated in outpatient rehabilitation for the same condition and have no new functional goals. - They have received recent inpatient rehabilitation for their condition but have not demonstrated progress towards goals (restorative potential unlikely). - They are receiving services in the community for the same diagnosis/functional goals. - They require a maintenance level program as defined by the Rehab Care Alliance. - They are receiving therapy services that are covered by their extended health plans, WSIB, or MVA insurance. - They currently reside in a long-term care facility.

Admission Process:	Referrals will be received from <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inpatient Stroke Unit (ISU) • BGH B2 Rehab Unit • Stroke Prevention Clinic • Specialty Regional Rehab Programs • Emergency Department • Ontario Health at Home • Primary Care
Discharge Criteria:	Patients will be discharged from the program when: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They have achieved their short-term goals (as per referral/admission criteria) - They have reached maximum potential within the active rehab program. - They have been admitted to another facility (e.g. inpatient/acute care or outpatient program).
Duration	Length of stay is determined on assessment-to a maximum of 12 weeks

