

Dear Doctor,

You are receiving this letter because your patient has requested allied services at The Four Villages Community Health Centre.

Four Villages is a primary health care organization in the west end of Toronto. We currently have the capacity to accept referrals from physicians in the community for allied health services that include **physiotherapy**, **occupational therapy**, **nutritional counselling**, **lactation support and therapeutic and health promotion group programs**.

In order to see your patient, we require a referral note from you with the following information:

We ask that the referral include:

- services requested and,
- relevant information that will facilitate our assessment and development of a treatment plan.

Our allied providers prioritize intake of new patients based on urgency and severity of the presenting condition(s).

Please note that due to overwhelming demand, we can only accept referrals of individuals who:

- Live in the west end of Toronto
 AND
- Unable to pay privately for this service (does not have private insurance or the ability to pay)

We will ensure that you receive a consult note following the initial visit outlining our assessment and care plan.

Kindly fax your referral note and any relevant patient information to 437-317-9815, to the attention Intake.

Sincerely, Four Villages Team

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Health Care Professional	Scope of Practice	Example for Referrals
Physiotherapist	 Assess, diagnose, and treat symptoms of illness, injury or challenged ability causing pain or instability in the muscles, bones, nerves and joint 	 Joint/muscle pain Balance challenges (falls prevention) Strength and stability (weakness after illness or injury) EXCLUSION: motor vehicle accidents
Occupational Therapist	 Assess and treat people with various illnesses or challenged abilities to improve their participation in day-to-day activities 	 Self-care (bathing, dressing, cooking) Work and productivity: planning, pacing and energy conservation Cognitive concerns and/or developmental concerns Home safety, equipment, falls prevention
Dietitian	 Translate the science of nutrition into an appropriate approach for your patient's conditions and/or needs Nutrition assessment, monitoring and counselling 	 High cholesterol High blood pressure Weight management Risk of/has pre-diabetes or diabetes Pregnancy and lactation Food insecure patients: access to community food resources Bowel conditions (IBD, IBS, colostomy or ileostomy, GI distress) Eating disorders Diagnosed allergies and food intolerances Child nutrition including picky eaters
Therapeutic and Health Promotion Programs	Therapeutic and health promotion group programs	For patients experiencing need in the following areas: Continue Con

- Therapeutic and health promotion group programs focusing on providing education, techniques and practical tips for physical/mental health improvement
- Specialized groups in the areas of physiotherapy, occupational therapy and nutritional counselling
- Food Security, Nutrition & Healthy Eating
- Pain Management, Rehabilitation & Activation
- Maternal Health, Early Identification & Health Child development
- Mental Health & Addictions, Recovery & Wellness

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Lactation Support

- Educating families about chest feeding/breastfeeding and lactation
- Facilitate and promote chest feeding/breastfeeding
- Develop and implement individualized feeding plans with family for babies
- Support and encourage families to successfully meet their chest feeding/breastfeeding needs
- Perform parent and baby chest feeding/breastfeeding assessments related to lactation
- Follow-up as required

- Families experiencing challenges related to chest feeding/breastfeeding
- Educational needs related to lactation and chest feeding/breastfeeding
- Pre-natal and post-natal support

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