

# MIDDLESEX-LONDON PARAMEDIC SERVICE

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## **COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE**

A 24/7/365 non-emergent mobile response team with specialized training and advanced directives to support vulnerable patients in the community.

Hours of Operations: 24/7/365 Community Paramedic Direct Line: 519-679-5466 x1109

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## What is Community Paramedicine?

Community paramedicine is a non-emergent mobile response team with specialized training designed to work in collaboration with a patient's primary care providers to provide a range of community-based primary care services in the comfort of a patient's home. Delegation of controlled acts is under the authorization of the Community Paramedicine Medical Advisor, Middlesex-London Paramedic Service, in conjunction with the patient's primary care provider.

#### Criteria for Referral:

- Those on the wait list for Long-Term Care
- Those who have been assessed as eligible for Long-Term Care by a Home Community Care Support Service Care Coordinator
- Those who are soon to be eligible for Long-Term Care
- Those who are on the Long-Term Care crisis wait list
- Individuals with specific circumstances or conditions that would benefit from community paramedicine services

## What can we do?

- Routine-based monitoring of patients to prevent exacerbations of chronic disease inclusive of: blood pressure, heart
  rate, respiratory rate, oxygen saturation, ETCO2, blood glucose, weight, temperature, 3 lead ECG, in-depth physical
  assessment, home safety scan, medication compliance;
- Use of advanced assessment tools inclusive of, but not limited to: 12 &15 lead ECGs, Palliative Performance Scale, Edmonton Symptom Assessment System, Confusion Assessment Method, cognitive assessment;
- Use of remote monitoring devices inclusive of: blood pressure, heart rate, oxygen saturation, blood glucose;
- Chronic condition management inclusive of, but not limited to: COPD, HF, DM, Osteoporosis, Shingles, falls, pain, nausea/vomiting;
- Palliative care acute pain and symptom management;
- Wound care management;
- Point-of-care testing (Chem8, Urinalysis, COVID-19 testing);
- IV antibiotic medication administration;
- Influenza vaccine administration;
- Motivational coaching, education, and self-management guidelines;
- Collaborative care coordination with health care providers;
- Referrals to community resources and programs;
- Provide timely reports to support an informed clinical decision on patient management; AND
- 911 treatment and transport, if within the patient goals of care.

## How to Refer?

• Complete the Community Paramedicine Referral Form and fax to 226-270-5532

## **General Inquires:**

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