

Critical Care Recovery Unit

FAQs

Will family approval be needed for patient transfer?

Yes. Family approval and engagement are necessary for success in the Program. The Long Stay Program (LSP) team will engage with the patient's family prior to formal acceptance into the Program.

Will there be a takeback letter for patients accepted to Cortellucci (e.g. if patients deteriorate)?

There will be situations where the patient will be required to be transferred back to the referring facility.

How do LSP beds differ from the pre-existing weaning beds at Michael Garron, the Progressive Weaning Centre (PWC)?

There are lots of overlaps including focus on rehabilitation and weaning in a dedicated setting. The primary difference is that patients in LSP may still require ICU-level care (e.g., vasopressors, acute need for dialysis, closer monitoring due to high ventilator settings, etc.). The various Programs coordinate with each other closely and we will ensure acceptance into the right program.

Are patients required to have an Alternate Level of Care (ALC) status?

No, patients should not have an ALC status.

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Patients who are eligible will be accepted in the order in which we receive their screening form from the referring hospital. There are some additional limitations related to patients requiring dialysis, as we have limited capacity to manage patients requiring dialysis.



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Will patients be charged a co-payment at the facility, or will they still be considered acute?

No

Will they have any information or website information that we will be able to direct families to?

We often get asked by families for written information.

We are in the process of preparing information packages for family members. For potentially eligible patients, we will also be arranging a virtual meeting to discuss the Program prior to final acceptance for transfer.

