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MCGUINTY GOVERNMENT INVESTS IN EATING DISORDERS TREATMENT

The McGuinty government is investing an additional \$2 million in 2005/06 and \$2.5 million in 2006/07 to further support eating disorder programs.

Specialized Eating Disorder Treatment Services

- The \$2 million in immediate funding to eating disorder programs will be targeted toward outpatient and day patient treatment services in hospitals.
- Day hospital programs provide hospital supports to individuals with eating disorders who no longer require medical stabilization or 24-hour supervision (that an inpatient program would provide), but require a structured program to develop healthy behaviours and habits towards eating, and managing a healthy weight.
- Standard day treatment programs typically run in four or five-day-per-week schedules; however some day programs, such as North York General Hospital's, are unique in that they run seven days per week, providing increased continuity of care and support for individuals and their families, as required.
- Outpatient care is geared toward medically stable individuals with eating disorders who require less intensive treatment.
- Outpatient treatment services include medical monitoring, nutritional counseling, group therapy and psychoeducational sessions for individuals and their parents, individual psychotherapy and family therapy.
- Both day patient and outpatient eating disorder treatment services generally involve multi-disciplinary staff who specialize in the assessment and treatment of eating disorders. The healthcare team commonly comprises a range of disciplines that include but is not limited to psychology, nutrition/dietetics, nursing, occupational therapy and social work.
- Next year the government will add a further \$2.5 million, bringing its total investment to \$14.1 million. The government will work with the Eating Disorders Network to identify priorities and to ensure that this \$2.5 million has the greatest possible impact.

LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK (LHIN)	HOSPITAL/AGENCY	AMOUNT INVESTED
Central	Southlake Regional Health Centre	\$17,737
Central	North York General Hospital	\$185,812
Central East	Lakeridge Health Corporation	\$23,432
Central East	Peterborough Regional Health Centre	\$27,972
North Simcoe Muskoka	The Royal Victoria Hospital	\$38,590
North Simcoe Muskoka	Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital	\$12,011
Champlain	Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario	\$131,840
Champlain	The Ottawa Hospital	\$115,360
Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant	Hamilton Health Sciences Corporation	\$78,280
Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant	Niagara Health System	\$62,624
Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant	St. Joseph's Healthcare (Hamilton)	\$70,040
Mississauga Halton	Halton Healthcare Corporation	\$231,945
North East	Hôpital régional de Sudbury Regional Hospital	\$90,268
North West	St. Joseph's Care Group (Thunder Bay)	\$38,069

South East	The Religious Hospitallers of Saint Joseph of the Hotel Dieu of Kingston	\$69,216
South West	London Health Sciences Centre	\$247,200
Erie-St. Clair	Bulimia Anorexia Nervosa Association	\$101,352
Toronto Central	University Health Network	\$357,263
Toronto Central	Hospital for Sick Children	\$100,989

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