

MEMO

To: Health Service Providers in the Champlain Region
From: Champlain Regional Stroke Network
CC: Champlain LHIN, CRSN Steering Committee
Date: 2015-06-23
Re: Acute Stroke Unit/Cohort Sites

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care instituted the Stroke Quality Based Procedures funding model on April 1st, 2013 as part of their Health System Funding Reform. The ability of health service providers to deliver stroke unit care will be a major driver of the new funding model through both direct and indirect stroke unit performance measures. Clustering stroke patients on an Acute Stroke Unit has proven to have many benefits for patients, including reduced length of stay, and reduced likelihood of death or disability at one year after their event.

Since 2003 the Champlain Regional Stroke Network (CRSN) has worked with six acute care hospitals in the region to designate a stroke unit or cohort at their facilities. The hospitals are geographically dispersed around our LHIN to ensure equitable access to hyper acute and acute care for persons suffering a stroke or transient ischemic attack (see map, page 2). The CRSN Best Practice Team, Medical Director, and Acute Care Coordinator provided training to the healthcare and administrative professionals at each hospital to ensure the delivery of high-quality stroke care. The same policies and protocols including screening tools, clinical pathways, and order sets are implemented at each of the six hospitals

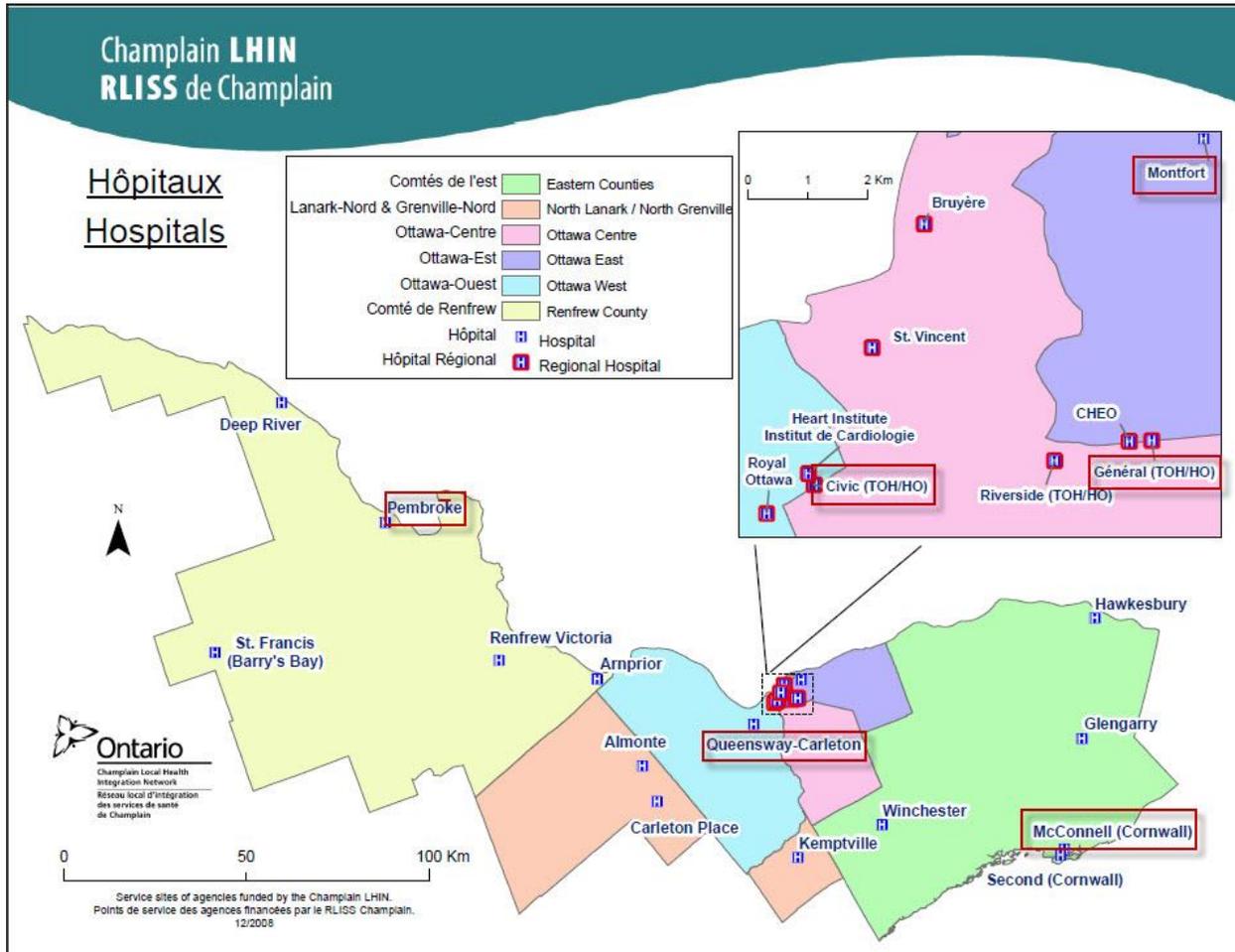
As of April 1, 2015, the following Designated Stroke Unit/Cohorts are operational in the Champlain Region:

- ✓ The Ottawa Hospital, Civic Campus - 2003
- ✓ Pembroke Regional Hospital - 2004
- ✓ The Ottawa Hospital, General Campus – January 2012
- ✓ Cornwall Community Hospital – December 2013
- ✓ Montfort Hospital – November 2014
- ✓ Queensway Carleton Hospital – April 2015

The CRSN Best Practice Team continues to support and work closely with designated Clinical Coaches and Champions at each Stroke Unit/Cohort site. The CRSN encourages all healthcare providers to direct questions to: strokeunitquestions@toh.on.ca

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Map of Stroke Unit/Cohort sites in the Champlain Region, as of April 2015

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