













**Long-Term Care Home Update** 

Community Newsletter



#### January 2022

# **Construction Activities in January**

Happy 2022 to our readers and to the entire Durham Region! This year will continue to bring exciting milestones for the new long-term care home currently under construction next to Ajax Pickering Hospital. We are looking forward to sharing these important events with our community, starting with the progress made this past month.

Outside of the home, the fencing encircling the perimeter of the construction site was removed. The lane closure on Clements Road was also removed, however, a partial lane closure will remain on Harwood Avenue as construction on the new parking garage continues. Over the next few weeks, exterior activity will primarily focus on the parking garage. The crane needed to work on the structure was erected this month and we are expecting more trucks on and off site as the precast components are delivered.

Once complete, the parking garage will provide 500 parking spots for long-term care and hospital patients, as well as residents, visitors, team members, and family members.

Inside the home, railings on the home's terraces have been installed and final touches continue at a rapid pace. As the construction of the building nears completion, the Lakeridge Health and PCL Construction teams are closely reviewing all areas of the home — from lighting fixtures to door hinges and flooring — to check for and to address any deficiencies. This will ensure the building is clean, completed, and ready for the Lakeridge Health team to take over.

During this final construction phase, clean-up of the site will take place and there might be some sound disturbances. We continue to thank everyone residing in the immediate area of the construction site for their patience and understanding.



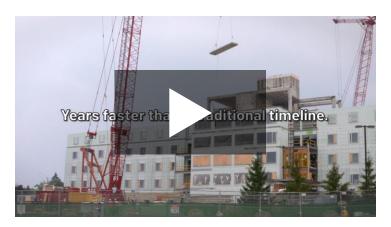
The front entrance of the new home with a covered walkway and parking spots (January 3, 2022)

# **Looking Forward to Substantial Performance**

Just 12 months after construction began, the long-term care home at Lakeridge Health is moving closer towards substantial performance. A major accomplishment, substantial performance signifies the completion of all major construction and that the home is ready to be handed over to Lakeridge Health.

Following this, the Lakeridge Health team will spend the ensuing months ensuring the state-of-the-art home is move-in ready. This includes installation of internet networks, appliances, artwork, and other final touches to make the home a comfortable space for its 320 future residents. Although substantial performance will mark the completion of major construction on the long-term care home, separate construction projects will continue on the helipad and parking garage.

Reaching this goal on time is a huge success for everyone involved in the planning and construction of the building. To celebrate, Lakeridge Health will mark this milestone in the coming weeks with its partners, PCL Construction, Infrastructure Ontario, Parkin and G architects, and the provincial government. Watch the video below to see a sneak peek of the remarkable progress and partnerships that made this milestone possible!



# **Stay Connected**

We will continue to keep you updated on our progress through this Community Newsletter and our website at **lh.ca**.

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# **Coming Together During the Snowstorm**

Ajax saw 50 centimetres of snow fall during the recordbreaking winter storm on January 17. In response, over 20 workers from the long-term care construction site volunteered their time to shovel and clear the snow from Ajax Pickering Hospital's parking lots. Thanks to their incredible efforts, hospital staff could carry on with essential front-line care and patients could safely access the hospital.



A PCL team member clearing snow in the Doctor's Parking Lot



Substantial performance is a construction milestone that signifies the completion of major construction. A certificate of substantial performance means the project, or a portion of the project, is fit for its intended use and the owner can then occupy and use the property.

Deficiency reviews take place before substantial performance. A comprehensive review is conducted to find and resolve any cosmetic or quality issues. Deficiencies can include scratches to paint, floor finishes, ceiling tiles, function of lights, placement of outlets, etc.