

# PROVINCIAL PROLONGED-VENTILATION WEANING CENTRE FOR EXCELLENCE

— at Michael Garron Hospital —

The Provincial Prolonged-Ventilation Weaning Centre for Excellence (PWC) at Michael Garron Hospital (MGH) is a specialized program for adult Intensive Care Unit (ICU) patients who have stabilized from their acute ICU illness, but remain on a mechanical ventilator for more than 14 days and wish to try to breathe on their own.



## ABOUT US

We are an eight inpatient acute care (non-ICU) program comprised of a medical, nursing and inter-professional team that specializes in the care of patients with prolonged ventilation and persistent and chronic critical illness.

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## WHY REFER?

- Higher chance of weaning success if referred early
  - Individualized, protocol-based care
  - Expert inter-professional team experienced in caring for patients and families with chronic critical illness
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## ADMISSION CRITERIA

- ✓ Adult patients directly from the ICU
  - ✓ Mechanically ventilated >14 days (can be sooner if other criteria met)
  - ✓ Tracheostomy inserted and stable
  - ✓ Hemodynamically stable
  - ✓ Not dependent on dialysis
  - ✓ Able to participate in care decisions and operate call bell
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For more information visit [www.tehn.ca/PWC](http://www.tehn.ca/PWC)