



Other Specialized Geriatrics services

- ◆ Geriatric Outreach Assessment
- ◆ Day Hospital (Outpatient)
- ◆ Geriatric Inpatient Unit
- ◆ Geriatric Clinics including:
 - Geriatric Medicine
 - Continence
 - Psychology
 - Multidisciplinary

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*Comprehensive geriatric
assessment and consultation
service for clients in hospital*

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Programs of Ontario
and Queen's University, Kingston

What is the Acute Care Consult Service?

The Acute Care Consult Service is a resource for health teams at Kingston General Hospital (KGH) and Hotel Dieu Hospital (HDH) caring for hospitalized seniors with multiple health problems.

Your hospital doctor and health care team can make the referral. Our team communicates with you and your health care team about our assessment review and recommendations.

The Acute Care Consult Service specializes in:

- ◆ Assessment/Review of each client's issues, needs and concerns
- ◆ Geriatrician review of medical issues and/or medications
- ◆ Evaluation of the need for and the potential for gains from rehabilitation



Who may benefit:

- ◆ Aged 65 years and older with complex health issues
- ◆ Recent decline in managing day-to-day activities
- ◆ Difficulty with getting around
- ◆ Recent falls or fear of falling
- ◆ Concerns about medications
- ◆ Recent changes in ability to cope
- ◆ Recent changes in social supports and/or caregiver stress
- ◆ Multiple admissions to hospital or visits to the emergency department or family physician
- ◆ Mood/memory/thinking changes as part of other health changes
- ◆ Recent and unexplained changes in health status

Frequently asked questions:

Q. Who might I meet on the Acute Care Consult Service?

A. You may meet a physician who specializes in geriatric medicine, a registered nurse, an occupational therapist, a physiotherapist, and a social worker. We are also a teaching facility and may have health care students on our service.

Q. How does the Acute Care Consult Service work?

A. We speak with your hospital health care team, review your chart and talk to you and, with your permission, contact your next of kin to gather additional information for our assessment/review.

Q. What happens after the review?

A. Our team works together to develop recommendations for you and the hospital aimed at helping with current issues and preventing further problems.

Q. What might the Acute Care Consult Service suggest?

- A. Some outcomes might include:
- ◆ Further tests to add to our understanding of your health issue
 - ◆ Ways to promote more independence while you are in hospital
 - ◆ A change to your medications
 - ◆ A short period of rehabilitation such as the Day Hospital (outpatients) or Geriatric Inpatient Unit at St. Mary's of the Lake Hospital
 - ◆ Attendance at a geriatric clinic