

## **Seniors Mental Health Ambulatory Services**

**Referral Criteria:** Referrals are typically initiated by primary care clinicians (ie. family physicians or nurse practitioners). Other potential referral sources should review the referral with the primary care provider prior to referral. Patient criteria include late-onset degenerative dementias (i.e. Alzheimer's disease, other similar dementia) with onset at any age, and older adults (age 65 or greater) with late-onset of other psychiatric disorders such as depression, bipolar disorder, anxiety disorders, and psychotic disorders. Individuals not clearly meeting these criteria may be considered on a case by case basis.

**Type of Service:** Provides inter-professional outpatient services for dementia and other mental health conditions. Services typically include assessment by a senior's mental health case manager and consultation with a psychiatrist. Service provision typically includes consultation and may include short-term follow-up. Patients need to be able to attend one or more visits at Providence Care, for those unable to attend the hospital in person other programs within senior's mental health may be considered.

**Form:** [400298-PHI-Referral-Form-Seniors-Mental-Health-Ambulatory-Services-2017-03-1.pdf](#)