SERVICE-AT-A-GLANCE

(RVH-Glen) Palliative Care Unit (PCU)

Location – *Are you located on one floor or in several locations in the hospital?*
- D10N

Population – *Describe in point form the characteristics of the patient population.*
- Oncology
- Stroke
- Metastases

Age range
- 18 +

Impact of illness/injury
- End of life
- Acceptance
- Impact on family

Medications: *be aware of their indications as well as side effects affecting functions and precautions*
- Pain medication
- Morphine
- Medication geared towards comfort care

Role – *Describe the role of your service in point form.*
- Swallowing Ax
- Functional Ax for quality of life/Ax for home PCU program
- Positioning

Team and Key Contacts– *Indicate if you work in a multidisciplinary team; who are the key players, staff doctors, consulting CNS's and other specialists.*
- Unit Coordinator:
- Head Nurse:
- Assistant Head Nurse: spectra: #36738
- Family Nurse:
- CN: pager: 514-406-2323
- OT: pager: 514-406-3549
- PT: pager:
- SLP:
- SW:

Rounds – *List the day(s), hours and location(s) of the clinical rounds for your service.*

Medical Tests – *Describe in point form the principle/**most frequent** risk factors that you assess specifically related to your patient population.*
- CT
- MRI

- PET scan
- *(Geared towards comfort care)*

Assessments - *Describe in point form the principle/**most frequent** forms that you complete specifically related to your patient population in addition to the psychosocial assessment.*
- No
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Resources - *Describe in point form the principle/**most frequent** hospital and community resources that you allocate specifically related to your patient population.*
- *Volunteer services*
- *CLSC PCU program*
- *Music/art therapy*

"Insider" Info – *List any tips, cautions, fast-tracks, templates or lists that would help facilitate a quick-start for someone new to this service.*
- Functional Ax focused on patient objectives
- Empathy is key