

Uxbridge Redevelopment: Frequently Asked Questions

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Question	Answer
What is happening at Uxbridge Hospital?	Oak Valley Health is expanding by building a new, modernized hospital in Uxbridge to better serve the growing needs of our community. This includes a brand-new, state-of-the-art facility on the existing site. It will provide enhanced space for advanced technology, enhanced care for patients, and an improved working environment for staff. This is an exciting milestone as we move towards building the new hospital with plans that also include a new long-term care home that will be connected to the hospital.
What will the new Uxbridge Hospital include?	 The expanded hospital will feature: 31 beds, including 11 new beds Expanded services, including diagnostic imaging, cardiorespiratory services, and laboratory and pharmacy services Increased access to inpatient, emergency, and ambulatory services
When does construction begin?	 Early works construction will begin spring 2025, laying the groundwork for the redevelopment. Main construction will start in spring 2026, with completion expected in 2028. The hospital will welcome its first patients in the new building in 2029.
Will patient care be impacted during construction?	While construction is underway, patient care remains our top priority. We are committed to maintaining the highest standards of care and keeping disruptions to a minimum. Our staff will continue to serve the community throughout this process.
How will you minimize construction disruptions?	We understand construction can be disruptive, and we are taking several steps to reduce its impact, including: sealing windows and regularly cleaning air filters, providing protective mats at entrances, frequent cleaning and dust control, minimizing noise, vibrations, and truck traffic. To keep vibrations at a suitable level, we are working with a third-party company to monitor the vibration level on site at all times. We will keep the community informed about any changes to access points or routines.
Will the construction affect my visit to the hospital?	There may be temporary disruptions such as construction noise and increased traffic from trucks. We will take every precaution to ensure your visit is as comfortable and safe as possible, and we encourage you to reach out to our patient services team if you have any concerns.

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What changes have been made to the helipad access during the construction of the new Uxbridge Hospital?	A temporary helipad has been set up at the Fields of Uxbridge (three kilometres from the hospital). The permanent helipad will be located on the new hospital's rooftop, improving patient transport services. Details are available <u>here</u> .
How are you ensuring safety during construction?	 We are implementing safety measures, including: Having personal safety equipment available Maintaining clean, safe environments Using proper signage and tools to ensure access points are efficient and accessible
How can I access the hospital during construction?	Your safety is our top priority. Cooperation in following instructions and signage is crucial. Entry points will be clearly defined to ensure easy access. While construction may evolve over time, please refrain from entering restricted areas, as they require special safety equipment and are designated for construction personnel only.
How will you keep the community informed during the project?	 We are committed to engaging with the community throughout the project. Updates will be shared via: Virtual community town halls <u>The Link</u> (community newsletter) Oak Valley Health website Meetings with local community groups and stakeholders
How is Oak Valley Health ensuring environmental sustainability during construction and beyond?	At Oak Valley Health, we believe caring for the community goes beyond patient care. Throughout the project, we remain committed to the environment by following and exceeding tree replacement guidelines and sustainable landscaping, introducing EV chargers, sustainable energy, waste management, and improving current standards for energy performance.
When can residents register for the long-term care home?	The long-term care home will be run by <u>UniversalCare Canada</u> . Registration for the waitlist will open 12 weeks prior to openings its door. Once registration is live, the community will be notified.
Who can I contact if I have questions or concerns?	If you have any questions or concerns, please email: <u>uxbridgeredevelopment@oakvalleyhealth.ca</u>