



Public Message

Headwaters to begin gradual resumption of paused elective surgeries and procedures as of February 22, 2022

On February 10, 2022 the province revoked Directive #2. This means Ontario Health will move into phase two of a four-phase resumption of activities. In phase two, hospitals will be allowed to gradually and cautiously resume non-urgent and non-emergent surgeries up to 70 per cent of 2019 (or pre-pandemic) volumes. The staged approach is to avoid overwhelming the health system as a whole.

This is positive news and means our health system is moving in a positive direction and that COVID-19 hospitalizations and ICU admissions are steadily declining.

Ramping up of clinical activities will occur in a multi-phased approach at Headwaters. In addition to continuing to support emergent and urgent surgeries, endoscopies will resume on February 14, 2022 and will resume elective surgeries on February 22, 2022.

As a reminder, the following activities have already resumed:

- Diagnostic Imaging
- Cancer screening
- Scheduled ambulatory care clinics including diabetes education and the minor procedures room

For a full list of what is open and closed at this time [please visit our website](#).

Your patience and understanding as we navigate our gradual resumption of services is greatly appreciated. We know that any time a health appointment, procedure or surgery is delayed there are impacts, and we are working with the province to minimize any caused by the recent pause in service to the best of our abilities.

As we see another turning point in the pandemic, we are encouraged by the efforts of the community to minimize spread and severity through vaccinations and other measures. Please know that we are here to serve you and will continue to do so safely and effectively.

Thank you,

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