

Appendix II Supervised Consumption Services in Peel Via an Urgent Public Health Need Site

Urgent Public Health Need Site Selection Considerations

Urgent Public Health Need Site (UPHNS) selection and engagement considerations outlined below are informed by the requirements set out in the Federal exemption application and the Provincial Consumption and Treatment Services Guideline, input from stakeholders, including potential clients, and practices in other jurisdictions with an operational supervised consumption services site.

Site Selection Considerations
<p>1) Proximity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Strategically located in an area where there is need.▪ Easily accessible to clients.▪ Nearby other social and health services. <p>2) Sensitive land uses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Located away from licensed childcare centers, parks, and schools (including post-secondary institutions) where possible. A plan to address concerns through ongoing community engagement is needed if the proposed site is within close proximity to any of these places. <p>3) Safety and security</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Safety and security measures are in place to ensure client, staff, and community safety as per provincial and municipal requirements. <p>4) Physical site requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Compliant with Ontario’s Building Code, municipal by-laws, and provincial regulations. <p>5) Balancing community needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Site location considers neighbourhood needs and context and is part of healthy community development/re-development.
Site-Specific Neighborhood Engagement
<p>Transparency, Accountability, and Awareness will be maintained throughout the site selection process and operations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Pertinent updates, information, and decisions related to the site selection process and the UPHNS will be shared with stakeholders via appropriate communication platforms (e.g., social media, public notices & consultation meetings).▪ Ongoing community outreach and response using best-practice mechanisms (e.g., community advisory committee, community response plan, client code of conduct and other formal and informal processes) to address site issues/concerns and to ensure the success of UPHNS.▪ Questions, concerns, comments, and requests for information from the public and stakeholders will be responded to in a timely manner via appropriate feedback mechanisms (e.g., email, phone calls).

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- UPHNS services will be monitored and evaluated on an ongoing basis to ensure that the services address the needs of clients and the community.