

## Health Connector

## Navigation support for cancer patients

### CAREPATH



Receiving a cancer diagnosis can be an overwhelming experience. In addition to dealing with the emotional stress and physical symptoms, cancer patients also have to navigate a complex public healthcare system where:

- Many healthcare professionals are overworked;
- Wait times are often too long;
- Emotional needs are not adequately met; and
- Links between services (doctors, tests, treatments) are difficult to coordinate.

CAREpath can make this difficult time much less stressful. They help you and your eligible dependents navigate the complex cancer care resources available through the public healthcare system.

#### Expert advice and support when you need it most

The CAREpath Cancer Assistance Program is the only program of its kind directed by a group of highly trained Canadian oncologists and delivered by caring oncology nurses. They work with cancer patients or their immediate families to ensure they receive the right treatment, at the right time, and in the right place.

CAREpath works in close collaboration with the family doctor and specialists so that everyone involved fully understands the process, the resources available and all treatment options. Your CAREpath nurse will ensure the cancer care journey is managed appropriately and respectfully.

### To learn more, visit EquitableHealth.ca and click on the Equitable HealthConnector.

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# CAREpath navigation provides:

- Expert medical advice and support through all phases of treatment;
- Clear explanations of options for tests and treatments;
- Guidance to alternative treatment locations, if requested/required; and
- Emotional support for you and your family.

#### How it works

If you or one of your eligible dependents have been diagnosed with cancer, you can contact CAREpath for help at 1.866.883.5956 or info@carepath.ca. An experienced nurse/physician team will guide you toward the right treatment, at the right place, at the right time. CAREpath offers tangible help before, during and after any absence from work, while you are dealing with the impact of cancer.

