# HealthLinks/Maillons santé

#### Coordinated Care for People Living with Complex Needs

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### What Is Health Links?

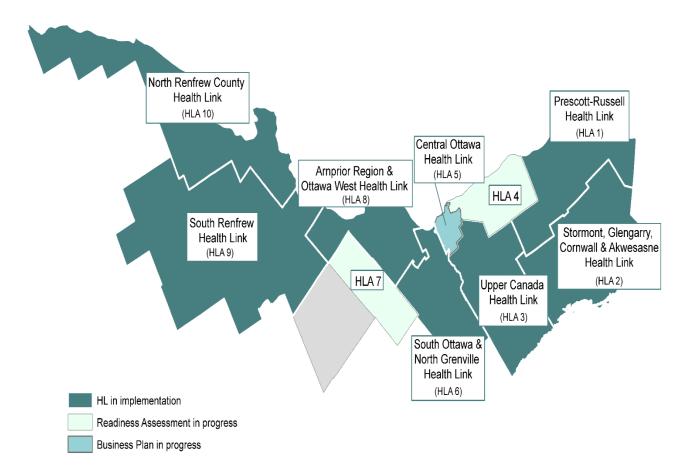
 A new model of care for High Cost-Complex patients

Health Links is about communication & collaboration

• Health Links is funded by the MOHLTC

• Each Health Link has a lead agency

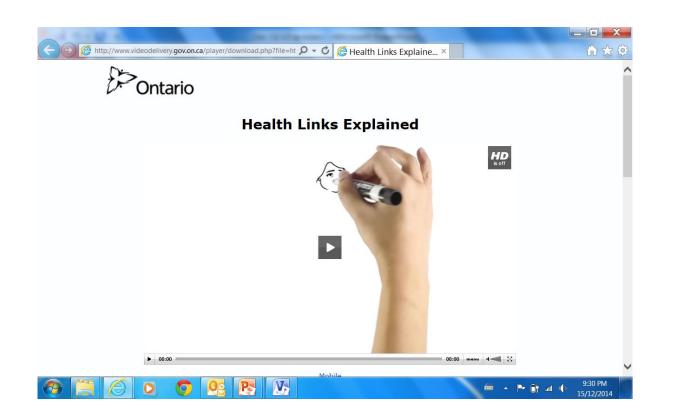
#### Champlain Health Links (December 2015)



## **Health Links Explained**

Click on the link below.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gYT7P5Or1as





# Health Link Care Coordinators are like the helpful daughter/son you wish every patient had.



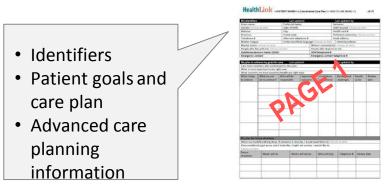
# What Health Links is NOT

- Rapid response or 24/7
- A replacement for any other service
- A social work service
- A program, department, service

# Health Links are here to stay.



#### The Provincial Coordinated Care Plan





- Assessments
  Recent hospital visit
- Social supports
- Medications

- Care team members
- Health conditions and issues
- Social history





- Other treatments
  Key daily routines
  Upcoming
  - appointments

# The Story of Jack

- 68 year old, estranged from family
- Lives alone in a filthy upstairs apartment, no elevator
- 2012 Broken ankle d/t a bicycle accident casted



- 27 ED visits over next 3 years with anxiety, depression, drug overdose, suicidal ideation. <sup>C</sup>/o ankle pain each time.
- Dx- non-union fracture of ankle, 6 mths later pinned
- Developed osteomyelitis
- BKA summer 2015
- Left AMA, returned next day with broken hip
- In 12 months 7 admissions, total LOS = 199 days
- Non-cooperative
- Unable to return to his apartment, finally agreed to temporarily go to group home...an hour away.

## What Did the Health Link Care Coordinator Do?

- Created a trusting relationship, used motivational interviewing,
   8 visits, weekly phone calls
- Completed Health Link Provincial Coordinated Care Plan & shared with pt and team (OT/PT/CMHA/PCP/Group Home Owners) – including pt goals
- Communication between the team
- Facilitated birth certificate & OHIP application
- Ensured had drive to appointments
- Connected with PCP sent pt info ahead of time
- Went with pt to Physiatrist appointment

### How is Jack Now?

- Keeps his room clean, is well groomed
- Down to 6 cigarettes per day and working with PCP to wean off opioids
- Attending anger solutions group
- No hospital visits
- Has his own walker
- Getting prosthetic limb next month
- Improved outlook on life

