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For Health Care Professionals

## Lakeridge Health Electronic Referrals via Ocean Platform

The following message is being sent on behalf of Lakeridge Health.

Lakeridge Health has introduced electronic referrals (e-referrals) using the well-established <u>Ocean</u> <u>platform</u>. These new e-referral forms will help minimize the manual processes in paper-based faxed referral forms, reduce errors that exist with paper copies and allow health-care providers to spend more time on patient care.

By using Ocean's secure, online e-referral directory, health-care providers can explore the map-based feature to search for specialists and patient programs, view wait times and locations, and create and submit a health-care referral in real time.

Offered through the Ontario government's eServices Program and currently funded by Ontario Health, ereferrals are currently live on the Ocean platform for the following clinical programs:

- Diagnostic Imaging at the Ajax Pickering, Bowmanville, and Oshawa Hospitals.
- The Gynecologic Oncology Diagnostic Assessment Program.
- The Thoracic Diagnostic Assessment Program.
- The Colposcopy Clinic at the Ajax Pickering and Oshawa Hospitals.

Direct links to these e-referrals can be found on the <u>Referrals page</u> of the <u>Lakeridge Health website</u>. Additional clinical programs will introduce e-referrals later this year.

If you have any questions about the Ocean platform, please email contact@ereferralontarioeast.ca.

Thank you for your support and dedication as we continue to reduce barriers in order to deliver highquality, integrated care.

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