Caring for your child at Sunnybrook’s Emergency Department

Welcome to Sunnybrook’s Emergency Department. Your child’s care is important to us. Although we do not have separate emergency services for children, we will assess and care for your child in as timely a manner as possible.

However, please be advised Sunnybrook is a regional centre for critically ill and injured patients and as such, your child’s wait time, like all patients, will be based on the changing demands for emergency care in the department.

Please also be aware that pediatric care at Sunnybrook is limited beyond what is provided in the Emergency Department. If your child requires a pediatrician, hospital admission, surgery, out-patient clinic follow up or certain tests, your child will be transferred to another hospital that provides pediatric care.

Additionally, many of our outpatient specialist clinics do not treat children, and so after assessment by an emergency physician, you may be asked to see your family doctor to arrange outpatient follow-up for your child.

If you have any questions about your child’s care, please speak to a member of the health care team.

Thank you,

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