

# WELCOME TO BLEEDING DISORDER CARE



This guide provides a quick reference to key resources and an overview of bleeding disorder care in Ontario. Whether you're a new nurse, physiotherapist, social worker, or allied health professional, we understand that starting in this highly specialized field can feel overwhelming. That's why we created this guide to offer a clear overview of the national and provincial landscape, introduce key associations, and connect you with the tools and people who can support you.

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Canada has 26 Bleeding Disorder Clinics/Hemophilia Treatment Centres, with 9 located in Ontario. All sites adhere to a National Standard of Care: [Comprehensive Care Standards](#). These standards outline that a comprehensive care team should include a hematologist, nurse, physiotherapist, social worker, and data manager. Each of these disciplines has a national association:

AHCDC - [Association of Hemophilia Clinic Directors of Canada](#)

CANHC - [Canadian Association of Nurses in Hemophilia Care](#)

CPTHC - [Canadian Physiotherapists in Hemophilia Care](#)

CSWHC - [Canadian Social Workers in Hemophilia Care](#)



All the above groups meet provincially, nationally and internationally.

A full list of treatment centres by province is available here: [Treatment Centres](#).

## KEY CONTACT - HEMOPHILIA PROVINCIAL COORDINATOR

Ontario has a Hemophilia Provincial Coordinator who can support you in connecting with your new association, linking with healthcare professionals across the province, and serving as a valuable resource in your new role.

If you're unsure where to begin or need help making the right connections, Sarah Crymble is a great place to start. She helps bridge communication across treatment centres and disciplines, connects new professionals with peers in similar roles, and is your go-to resource for understanding the broader bleeding disorder care landscape in Ontario.



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## QUICK UPTAKE RESOURCES

To get started, review the [Bleeding Disorder Curriculum](#), which includes:

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- 1** Module 1: Bleeding Disorder 101  
Basics of hemophilia and other bleeding disorders, including types, symptoms, and common challenges.
- 2** Module 2: Prevention and Early Assessment  
Recognize signs and symptoms, clinical complications, and importance of patient centered care.
- 3** Module 3: Treatment  
Treatment principles, products & understanding nursing care of hospitalized patients receiving treatment.
- 4** Module 4: Physiotherapy Care  
Identify common musculoskeletal bleeds, assessments and treatment complication and considerations.

[Bleeding Disorders Toolkit for Clinicians](#): detailed learning experience with a focus on nursing but applicable to all.

[All things Bleeding Disorder - Educational Catalogue](#): For comprehensive information on all types of bleeding disorders, as well as educational resources—including publications and videos.

## SUPPORT PARTNERS

In Canada and Ontario, we are fortunate to work alongside nonprofit organizations that serve as vital resources for clinical care:

- Hemophilia Ontario: Advocacy, fundraising, and support programs such as financial assistance, camps, and youth groups [www.hemophilia.on.ca](http://www.hemophilia.on.ca)
- Canadian Hemophilia Society (CHS): Supports national associations, runs national conferences (including new staff workshops), and advocacy: [www.hemophilia.ca](http://www.hemophilia.ca)
- World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH): is dedicated to improving & sustaining care for people with bleeding disorders around the world: [www.wfh.org](http://www.wfh.org)

## STAY CONNECTED

Help is just an email or phone call away. Get connected with your national and provincial groups, take note of where to find key resources, and welcome to the world of bleeding disorder care!

