

An article from L'Express, one of the most popular Francophone newspapers in Ontario
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Putting Seniors First

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The same issues are present in long-term care facilities. Entity 3 is currently supporting the Bennett Centre in Georgetown to open 32 Francophone beds. They are expected to open in 2025 when the new building opens.



The new Bennett Center will be built at 225 Halton Hills Drive across from Georgetown Hospital and Gallery Active Living.

"The Francophone unit will have a bilingual care team. Elements of Francophone culture and cultural diversity will be integrated into the activities and resources, such as the books, films, and newspapers available," says Mike Bakewell, Executive Director of the Centre.



Mike Bakewell.

Along with the opening of French-language beds, Bennett will open a unit dedicated to seniors with mental health issues. "Almost 85% of the residents coming in today have dementia," says Bakewell. The project is in the planning stages and does not anticipate that staff in this unit will speak French.