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New psychiatrist joins PCCC's geriatric outreach team in Belleville

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Providence Continuing Care Centre's (PCCC) Mental Health Services has recruited a full-time geriatric psychiatrist to treat clients in the Hastings and Prince Edward region. Susan Ilkov-Moor, a recent graduate of the regional psychiatry program at Queen's University, joined the Mental Health Services community outreach team March 19.

"I am thrilled to be part of PCCC's mental health outreach program in the Hastings and Prince Edward area," says Dr. Ilkov-Moor. "I look forward to working with seniors and their families in their homes, local hospitals and long-term care facilities."

Dr. Ilkov-Moor is part of an interdisciplinary team that works with community agencies, family physicians and other health care professionals caring for seniors with late onset mental health disorders. She joins three other PCCC psychiatrists in the Hastings and Prince Edward area, serving clients from Peterborough to Belleville and Bancroft. Southeastern Ontario has one of the highest populations of residents over the age of 65 in the province.

"The recruitment of Dr. Ilkov-Moor is very positive for the region, which is under-served in the area of psychiatrists, especially those specializing in geriatrics, states Dr. Ken LeClair, clinical director of PCCC's Regional Geriatric Psychiatric Program. "Our affiliation with Queen's University means she will have the opportunity to educate medical students and other health care staff, as well as working directly with clients and their families."

PCCC's Mental Health Services is the leading provider of psychiatric care in southeastern Ontario. The Geriatric Psychiatry Program serves clients with dementia with associated mental health needs, as well as clients with late onset depression, psychotic disorders and other medical problems. The service also focuses on working with partners to improve the capacity of the community through shared care education and by improving linkages across the health system.

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