

## **Fact Sheet**

## **Italian Seniors Outreach**

Service:

CHATS Italian Lunch Out program promotes well-being through a holistic approach to wellness. Clients have an opportunity to socially interact, celebrate cultural events and bond, receive information on health, exercise, and enjoy a nutritious and culturally appropriate meal. Transportation may be arranged and provided by volunteers.

**Eligibility:** 

- 1. Seniors 55 years and older who are able to understand and speak Italian and who are in need of social interaction.
- 2. Residents of York Region or South Simcoe.
- Seniors living in the community. Residents of Long Term Care Facilities (LTCF) will not be eligible for the program with exception of pre-existing clients who may be eligible for the program to support transitioning into the LTCF if the home is located within the existing community.
- 4. Seniors who would benefit from nutritional support and social interaction in a group setting.
- 5. Seniors who are able to independently tend to their personal needs (e.g. self-toileting).
- 6. Seniors who do not exhibit wandering behaviour.
- 7. Seniors who are mentally and physically stable.
- 8. Seniors who are able to function at socially acceptable levels.
- 9. Seniors who use canes or walkers are eligible.
- 10. Social and Congregate Dining volunteers are not trained in the use of wheelchairs. Seniors using wheelchairs will be accepted if they are able to be independent with self-care and do not require CHATS transportation. If seniors are not independent in their activities of daily living, they must be accompanied by a Personal Support Worker (PSW) or caregiver who will be responsible for transportation to the program and for providing ongoing assistance for the client.

## Service Limitations:

- 1. Seniors with mental and/or physical impairments are individually assessed to determine thei eligibility.
- Seniors who have been diagnosed with Alzheimer's or other form of dementia are not eligible.
- 3. It is possible that the client may be admitted to a waitlist due to lack of appropriate volunteer or a lack of program space.

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**Availability:** It is possible that the client will be admitted to a waitlist due to lack of appropriate volunteers

and limited space

Cost: Range from \$5.00- \$20.00 per event

Locations:

Woodbridge – St Peters Church,

100 Bainbridge

Held on the first and third Thursday of the

month. Cost \$5.00

Woodbridge – Pine York Seniors Club,

7700 Highway 7, Unit 8.

Held on the first Tuesday of the month. Cost

\$5.00.

Contact: Outreach Coordinator at extension 7040

Woodbridge – Chancellor Community Centre, 350 Ansley Grove

Held on the second and fourth Thursday of

the month. Cost \$7.00.

Maple – Maple Lions Club, 8 Merino Road Held on the third Tuesday of the month. Cost

\$7.00

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