

**Notable events and timelines related to SCS/CTS locations in Hamilton**

- **December, 2017:** Public Health Services (PHS) Supervised Injection Site (SIS) needs assessment and feasibility study recommendations are endorsed by City Council (BOH 17004b). Demonstrate a need for 2 sites in Hamilton
- **December, 2017:** Health Canada issued an exemption to Ontario to establish temporary OPS across the province.
- **May, 2018:** MOHLTC announces funding for OPS in Hamilton awarded to applicants Hamilton Urban Core Community Health Centre (HUCCHC) and Shelter Health Network (SHN).
- **June, 2018:** HUCCHC and SHN open a temporary OPS Site at 71 Rebecca St, Hamilton
- **July, 2018:** PHS submitted an Information Report (BOH18021) on Supervised Consumption Sites in the City of Hamilton. At that time, it was acknowledged that 3 community agencies (Aboriginal Health Centre, Wesley Urban Ministries, Urban Core Community Health Centre) had submitted or expressed intent to submit an exception application to the federal government to operate a permanent SCS.
- **December, 2018:** PHS convened the first CTS Working Group to consult on application process and potential CTS site locations.
- **December, 2018:** Board of Health supports the HUCCHC to submit an application moving from a temporary OPS to the CTS model.
- **January, 2019:** HUCCHC submits an application to Health Canada proposing a CTS site at the interim site of 71 Rebecca Street.
- **March, 2019:** HUCCHC is approved for permanent CTS at 71 Rebecca Street.
- **March, 2019:** Recommendations for a Consumption and Treatment Services applications and operations by Public Health Services are endorsed by City Council (BOH19017).
- **November, 2019:** Declaration of an Opioid Crisis in the City of Hamilton
- **January, 2020:** Public Health Services submitted partial federal and provincial applications for exemption and operation of a CTS.
- **March, 2021:** HAMSMaRT, Keeping Six and the Inpatient Addiction Medicine Service operated a safer drug use space and safe supply program staffed solely by community volunteers at the Salvation Army Booth Centre while they were in COVID-19 outbreak.
- **September 2021:** The AIDS Network initiated community consultations for an application for a CTS location at 746 Barton Street East

**Coming up:**

- **December 2021:** HUCCHC will move CTS operations to an interim location at 70 James Street South
- **September 2023:** HUCCHC will move CTS operations to a permanent site at 430 Cannon Street East

PHS was unable to site another CTS location and the submitted federal exemption application has lapsed.