

Shalom Manor - the first care home in Ontario to provide a new technology to its residents with dementia.

Eugeria is thrilled to partner with Shalom Manor care home to make the world-famous Tovertafel available to more Canadians with cognitive impairment such as Alzheimer's disease.

Grimsby, Ontario, Oct. 7, 2021—Eugeria and Shalom Manor are proud to announce that Shalom Manor is the first nursing home in Ontario to offer care technology innovation to their residents with dementia: The Tovertafel.

<u>The Tovertafel</u> is an interactive and stimulating game-based therapeutic tool from the company Tover. Eugeria, Tover's exclusive Canadian distributor, has recently made this innovation available on the Canadian market for the very first time.

Shalom Manor is the first care home to provide the Tovertafel in Ontario. Shalom Manor is a charitable non-profit organization located in beautiful Grimsby, Niagara. The acquisition of a Tovertafel is a project years in the making. Families and friends of the Shalom Manor community worked together to financially support this innovative project. This press release is also an opportunity to celebrate this important feat!

Shalom Manor is a unique long-term-care home as it has firm roots in the Dutch community. Interestingly, Tover, the company which developed the Tovertafel, is based in the Netherlands. Tovertafel is a Dutch term which translates to "magic table". This innovation <u>is</u> pretty magical. It is the result of **rigorous research**, **large scale testing** and is **continuously adapted** for optimal effectiveness. It's a care innovation like no other.

The Tovertafel is a series of interactive games developed for people with dementia to stimulate them for more physical activity, social interaction and mental stimulation. Tovertafel is a box mounted to the ceiling with infrared sensors to detect hand movements. A projector makes light animation on the table so residents and care staff can play with lights. The Tovertafel contributes to:

- break apathy;
- increase the level of physical activity;
- reduce negative emotions and increase positive ones;
- reduce restless and tense behaviours:

increase social activity.

"The Shalom Manor community is delighted to make the Tovertafel available to our residents. This therapeutic tool offers multi-sensory stimulation that is adapted for our residents with cognitive impairment and promotes physical movement and social interaction. These cognitive activities are also a wonderful way for our residents to share moments of joy with fellow residents, our staff as well as friends and family members." Erin Barnes, Manager of Programs and Support Services at Shalom Manor and Gardens

Several establishments across Canada have received the Tovertafel in last few weeks including: the CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal, CIUSSS du Centre-Sud-de-l'Île-de-Montréal, private care homes in Alberta and a public care centre in British Columbia. The Eugeria team is thrilled to celebrate the arrival of the first Tovertafel in Ontario.

"Aging well is not just about medicine, but everything that influences a person's well-being on a daily basis. I am convinced that the arrival of Tovertafel in the living environments of people with Alzheimer's disease or related impairments will have a beneficial effect on their quality of life" said Quoc Dinh Nguyen, geriatrician at the CHUM, co-founder and medical expert of Eugeria.

For more information regarding the Tovertafel please visit: www.canadatover.com.

About Eugeria

Founded in 2018 in Montreal, Eugeria offers useful products and services for aging Canadians and people with Alzheimer's disease or another cognitive impairment. Its mission is to innovate to improve the quality of life of seniors and caregivers. The Eugeria teams are trained to advise on the various loss of autonomy of seniors and more specifically cognitive losses. For more information: www.eugeria.ca/en.

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