THE HAMILTON HEALTH ASSOCIATION
SUBFONDS

Title of Fonds: Hamilton Health Association Subfonds

Date Range: 1906-1979

Description: 125 boxes, 72 linear ft. of textual and photographic records.


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Background:

The Archive of the Mountain Sanatorium and the Hamilton Health Association is an historically important and extremely interesting collection, one of several that together form the historical record of the Chedoke Site of the Hamilton Health Sciences Corporation.

The Mountain Sanatorium was opened in 1906 to treat area patients suffering from tuberculosis. In the beginning it consisted of 2 tents. Soon small frame cottages were built. Over the years, as the medical philosophy changed away from the rigorous fresh air treatment first subscribed for TB patients and more money became available, substantial, hospital-like buildings were built. During the first World War the Canadian government invested heavily in the Mountain Sanatorium to treat soldiers that returned home suffering from tuberculosis and gassed lungs.

Due to changing needs in health care, this institution has gone through many transformations throughout the years. In 1960 the Mountain Sanatorium’s name was changed to the Chedoke General and Children’s Hospital. It was changed again in 1971 to Chedoke Hospitals. Finally in 1979 Chedoke Hospitals and McMaster University Medical Centre amalgamated to form Chedoke-McMaster Hospitals. In 1996, Chedoke-McMaster Hospitals amalgamated with the Hamilton Civic Hospitals to form the Hamilton Health Sciences Corporation.

Content: This fonds consists of the administrative records of the Hamilton Health Association in the management of the Mountain Sanatorium and the Chedoke
Children's and General Hospital, 1906-1970. For example Board of Directors minutes, annual and financial reports. It also includes records from the Samaritan Club, personal files of Dr. Hugo Ewart, Medical Superintendent, 1947-1970 and an extensive photographic collection. These records arrived as a single accrual before 1987. The second accrual (1995-025) a photograph collection was recently found in Lab Services at the Chedoke Site. The third accrual (1997-011) consists of title deeds to the Mountain Sanatorium site. Other accruals consist chiefly of single items and have been integrated into the first accrual.

**Accrual 1 (Pre 1987)**

These arrived from Chedoke Site as a single accrual before 1987. Single items with the same provenance which have been transferred subsequently are integrated into this accrual.

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**Boxes 1.1-1.3**

Annual Reports. Hamilton Health Association, 1907-1970

**Boxes 1.4**

Annual Reports. Chedoke Hospitals, 1971-1979
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Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material including accounts payable or summary of accounts, 1913 Oct 14 -1921 Nov 28

Box 1.6
Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material, 1928

Box 1.7
Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material, 1928-1940

Box 1.8
Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material, 1941-1958

Box 1.9
Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material, 1956-1962

Box 2.1
F.1 Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material, 1963-1968 F.2 Mountain Sanatorium School Board, Minutes and related material, 1950-1969

Box 2.2
Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material, 1969-1973

Box 2.3
Board of Directors of the Hamilton Health Association, Minutes and related material, 1973-1978

Box 2.4
Box 2.5

F.1 Property Committee, 1961-1974 F.2 Plant Services Committee, 1975-1979
F.3-6 Mountain Sanatorium School Board, 1952-1969

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Box 2.8

General Ledgers, 1912-1935

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F.1-4 Auditors Reports, 1928, 1930-1964

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F.1-2 General Ledgers, 1935-1945 F.3 Correspondence regarding payment for Pneumothorax Refills, 1939

Box 3.2

General Ledgers, 1939-1956

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F.1-4 General Ledgers, 1943-1961

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F.1-4 General Ledgers, 1952-1963

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F.1-4 General Ledgers, 1964

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F.1-4 General Ledgers, 1965
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F.1-5 General Ledgers, 1966

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F.1-4 General Ledgers, 1968

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Contents of Wilcox Building time capsule, 1938 July 18

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F.1-5 General Ledgers, 1969

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F.1-5 General Ledgers, 1970

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F.1-5 General Ledgers, 1972

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F.1-9 General Ledgers, 1975

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F.1-4 Cash Variance, 1975 F.5-9 General Ledgers, 1976

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F.1-2 Approved Budgets, 1978-1979

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F.1-11 Financial Statements, 1954-1965

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F.1 Auditor’s Reports, 1928 F.2-4 Auditor’s Reports, 1940-1964
Box 5.1
F.1-12 Donations, 1968-1979

Box 5.2
Members Donation Cards, 1970-1979

Box 5.3
F.1 Fundraising / Big Heart Sunday, 1916-1919 F.2 Membership Form Letters, 1921-1922 F.3-7 Membership Status Cards, 1967

Box 5.4
F.1-13 Bequests, 1932-1979

Box 5.5

Box 5.6

Box 5.7- 5.9

**Accrual 3 (Accession 1997-011)**

These records were found in an old filing cabinet in the Finance Dept., Chedoke Site, Chedoke-McMaster Hospitals. They have been weeded with the original order retained wherever possible.

Box 6.1
F.1-F8 Title deeds to land occupied by the Mountain Sanatorium, later the Chedoke General and Children's Hospital.

Box 6.2


Box 6.3


Box 6.4

Three corporate seals (HHA, Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation of Hamilton, Inc.)

Box 6.6

Box 6.7

Box 6.8

Box 6.9
F.1 Papers regarding the renovation of the Central and Brow Buildings, 1968 F.2 Papers regarding the renovation of the boiler plants and sewers, 1967, 1971 F.3 Papers regarding the renovation of the air conditioning towers, 1971

Box 7.1
F.1-8 Papers regarding the construction of the School of Nursing, 1961-1967

Box 7.2
F.1-10. Papers regarding the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Physical Institute, 1959-1965

Box 7.3 – 7.4
F.1-6 Papers regarding the Hamilton Association of Occupational Therapy, 1953-1963
Box 7.5

F.1-9 Papers regarding the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Physical Institute, 1955-1975

Box 7.6

Box 1-6 Papers regarding the School of Medical Technology, 1961-1970

Box 7.7

F.1 Annual Meeting Invitations, 1976-1978 (incomplete)
F.2 Supplementary Letters Patent to Change Name, 1971
F.4 Program Accident Prevention, 1967
F.5 Ontario Hospital Association, 1969
F.6 License, Moving Picture Theatre, 1917
F.7 Staff Pension Plan, 1931-1956
F.8 HHA Employee Charity Fund, 1963-1978
F.9-10 Sample Personal Files for 2 Nurses, 1932-1970
F.11 Payroll 1965-1969
F.12 Standing Journal 1926-1955
F.13 Standing Journal 1955
F.14 Equipment Purchase Approvals Equipment Lists, 1957; 1960; 1964

Box 7.8 Material relating to personnel and administration of Chedoke Hospitals, 1970-1979

Box 7.9 Manuals

F.1 Rehabilitation in house, articles on education, 1947
F.2 Memo for Visitors, 1940?
F.3 Tuberculosis Education Slides, n.d.

Box 8.1

F.1-15 Papers regarding the annual Christmas Seal Campaign, 1942-1969.
Includes sales reports, correspondence, and albums of Christmas Seals.

Box 8.2- 8.4

Papers regarding the Samaritan Club, 1929-1968

Box 8.5

F.1-3 Minute books of the Ladies Auxiliary Board of the Hamilton Health Association, 1913-1934
F.4-8 Reports, Obituaries of Mrs. Crerar and Burkholder, 1928-1942
Box 8.6 Series: Historical

F.1-25 Short historical reports on various aspects of the Mountain Sanatorium and the Hamilton Health Association. They seem to have been written by various people including Dr. Ewart and Dr. Holbrook for use at Board of Director's meetings. There are also files of data collected for these meetings.

Box 8.7 Series: Oral History


Box 8.8 – 8.9 Newsclippings, 1904-1987

Box 9.1

F.1 Scrapbook of newsclippings relating to the Mountain Sanatorium and the Hamilton Health Association, 1936-1957

Box 9.2 – 11.1 Photographs

This collection contains photographs and negatives for a great number of photographs on a large variety of subjects pertaining to the Mountain Sanatorium, 1906-1960 and the Chedoke General and Children's Hospital, 1961-1970.

Box 11.2 Publications by Administration

Box 11.3 Publications by Patients

F.1 San Jottings, 1920
F.2 Mountain Echo, 1921-1922
F.3 Sanatorium Journal, 1934
F.4 Santowner, 1937
F.5 San News, 1950
F.6 Mountain San News, 1949-1951
F.7-11 Mountain Views, 1950-1955
F.12 Lines of a Lunger / Sgt. Mounfield, 1917

11.4 – 11.5

Visitors Books, 1926-1972

11.6 Artifacts

Medallion presented to Roslyn Martin by HHA for Long service, 1972; Christening gowns used by babies born at the Mountain Sanatorium Christening gown

11.7 – 12.1 Accrual 2 (Accession 1995-025)

These photographs were found in Laboratory Services area, Chedoke Hospital, Chedoke-McMaster Hospitals. They have been weeded with the original order retained wherever possible. The consist of photographs of people and events during the 1950-1970 period.

12.2 – 12.3 Dr. J.H. Holbrook, Medical Superintendent of the Mountain Sanatorium from 1914-1947.

F.1 Biographical Writings, 1922-1958 F.2 Wilcox Building Opening, 1938-1939 F.3 Correspondence with P.W. Hardie, 1944-1945 F.4 Life in Sanatorium by Dr. Thomas McConnachie, 1950 F.5 Report on the Problem of Medical Research in..., 1939 F.6 HHA Operating Depts (Organizational Chart), 1939

Box 12.4 Dr. Hugo Ewart, Dr. Hugo Ewart, Medical Superintendent of the Mountain Sanatorium from 1947-1970.


Box 12.5

F.1-15 Correspondence by Dr. Hugo Ewart regarding St. Elizabeth Chapter, I.O.D.E, Sanatorium Sundays, 1956-1966; Accommodation for Staff, 1947; School of Nursing Assistants, 1947; Holbrook Pavilion opening, 1959, Evel

Box 12.6

F.1-65 Biographical information kept by Dr. Hugo Ewart about personnel at the Mountain Sanatorium.

Box 12.7 – 12.8 Dr. James Allison, medical director of the Mountain Sanatorium / Chedoke Hospitals, 1972-1983

Papers belonging to Dr. James Allison on a variety of topics relating to the administration and planning.

Box 12.9

F. 1-11 Papers belonging to Dr. David Aitchison, a physician at the Mountain Sanatorium, 1972-1974.

13.1 Artifacts

Medical equipment belonging to Dr. David Aitchison, Mountain Sanatorium; 4 trophies inscribed for various sports, 1908-1961.


19 Cerebral Palsy Centre / Hamilton District Society for Crippled Children, n.d.; Photograph Album belonging to Vera Spencer, maternal aunt of donor, when she was patient at the Mountain Sanatorium, 1941-1947; Log books from McMaster University Medical Centre Labour and Delivery. 3 log books 1973-1981; Scrapbook of newsclippings. Health Sciences Centre, 1974-1977

29 Trophies from the Mountain Sanatorium and medical bag belonging to Dr. David Aitchison.

Oversize Materials


Various records in the Oversize Cabinet.