

Goals of CHS-MC Family Camp

Year after year, families return to “Camp Royale” to enjoy a week full of bonding, education, and fun. Family Camp offers children with bleeding disorders and their families a chance to experience camp with the safety and security of having a nurse from the care team on-site at all times. Camp Royale typically will have 45 people attending (12 to 14 families) with one full time nurse. The education program for camp is developed in conjunction with the Care Team and has included sessions for both the children and the parents.

- Developing a support peer group for:
 - Children with inherited bleeding disorders
 - Siblings of children with inherited bleeding disorders
 - Parents of a child(ren) with inherited bleeding disorders

- Opportunity to have individualized education for both parents and a child with bleeding disorder

- Opportunity for younger children to witness:
 - How older children behave for treatments
 - How other families manage bleeding episodes
 - Older children managing their own self-infusion

- Opportunity for adults to witness:
 - How older children behave for treatments
 - How other families manage bleeding episodes
 - Older children managing their own self-infusion
 - What other families allow their children to do in terms of activity
 - How other families manage their child’s behaviour related to the bleeding disorder
 - Other families’ strategies for success