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Media Backgrounder

Fast Facts on New Family Birthing Centre

Richmond Hill, ON:

- York Central Hospital has helped to welcome over 56,000 new babies since the opening of the hospital in November of 1963
- Last year York Central Hospital helped to welcome over 2,400 new lives to our community
- The new Family Birthing Centre will be able to provide care for up to 3,200 births
- York Central Hospital is the only community hospital in Ontario to offer a full-time, on-site Maternal Fetal Medicine Service including a Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist, 3D/4D Ultrasound Technology and a Pediatric Cardiologist with expertise in fetal echocardiography
- Approximate cost of the new Family Birthing Centre is \$3.4 million
- The staff of the new Family Birthing Centre includes representation from 24 nationalities enabling the hospital to provide culturally sensitive care
- Collectively, the nursing staff of the new Family Birthing Centre have over 750 years of obstetrical nursing expertise
- Expectant mothers are cared for by a medical team of 10 Obstetrician/Gynaecologists, 15 Pediatricians, one Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist, and one Pediatric Cardiologist
- Many of the mothers delivering babies at York Central Hospital were also born at this same hospital – in some cases under the care of the same nurses who attended to their mothers

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