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Backgrounder

York Central Hospital: Redevelopment Progress Update

Phase One Progress To October 2008:

With less than a year to go on the completion of Phase One of our major expansion and renovation project, York Central Hospital is entering a very exciting period that will soon result in a number of new patient care and support areas coming on-line. With several key milestones successfully completed, the response to these new facilities and the accompanying enhancement of services has been extremely well received by patients and their families as well as the members of our healthcare team.

Over the past year our hospital has celebrated the opening of:

- The opening of a new **Family Birthing Centre** enabling the hospital to establish the province's first full-time, onsite Maternal Fetal Medicine Service in a community hospital setting. The New Family Birthing Centre includes eight Birthing Suites, two Operating Suites, a Triage Area and Fetal Assessment Room, a Neonatal Resuscitation Room and Maternal Fetal Medicine Clinic.
- The partial opening of a **new Emergency Department** that will triple the size (upon full completion) of the hospital's original ER including spacious new waiting area, a number of color-coded specialized treatment areas for more critically ill patients, those with fractures and minor injuries, and ambulatory patients. The new facility also features a state-of-the-art patient monitoring system that allows doctors to see test results at the bedside, a second triage station dedicated to ambulance patients, and 15 negative pressure treatment stations.
- The hospital's **new Breast Health Imaging department** offering a dedicated and welcoming space for those being tests and treated for breast health concerns.

Over the coming year we will see the opening of a number of new areas including:

- a **Medical Imaging Department** three times the size of our existing facility
- new **Critical Care** and **Chronic Kidney Disease/Nephrology Units** that will be double the size of our existing units,
- a **new Mental Health Inpatient Unit** including six new secured beds,
- newly renovated and expanded inpatient **Pharmacy** and **Materials Management Areas**,
- expanded **Medical Staff facilities, Auditorium** and **Patient/Staff Classrooms**,
- expanded **Fracture, Plastics** and **Ophthalmology Clinics**,
- and 122 new inpatient beds.

Planning and Construction of Phase Two:

Thanks to the support and advocacy of our local members of parliament including Reza Moridi, Dr. Helena Jaczek and Michael Chan, York Central Hospital is pleased to announce the receipt of \$3.7 million towards the planning of Phase Two of its Redevelopment Project.

The proposed scope of Phase Two includes:

- **10 new Operating Rooms,**
- expanded **Day Surgery** Services,
- a significantly expanded, state-of-the-art multi-purpose **Ambulatory Care Facility** to better support chronic disease prevention and management,
- expanded **Maternal and Newborn Care Facilities,**
- expanded **Patient Support Areas** including Food Services, Laboratory, Spiritual Care and Receiving Areas,
- infrastructure retrofits to better support our acute care inpatient areas not upgraded in Phase One, and
- more spacious public areas including main entrances, traffic corridors, café and shops.

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