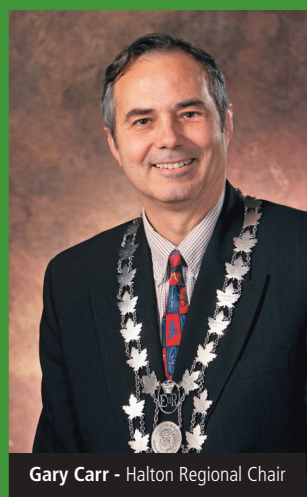




# Halton Physician Appreciation Week

## May 3 to 7, 2010



Gary Carr - Halton Regional Chair

A salute to our physicians for their compassion and dedication to patient care

May 3 to 7, 2010 is the 8th Annual Halton Physician Appreciation Week. During this week, Halton Region and local hospitals recognize

physicians for their tremendous contribution to our community. The week was originally established in 2003 by the Halton Physician Recruitment program. The program addresses physician shortages and the needs of the future, allowing us to do our part in ensuring the delivery of effective health services to Halton residents. By working together with Local Municipalities, physicians, local hospitals, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and others, our Physician Recruitment initiative has achieved impressive results: almost 100 new family doctors practising in Halton.

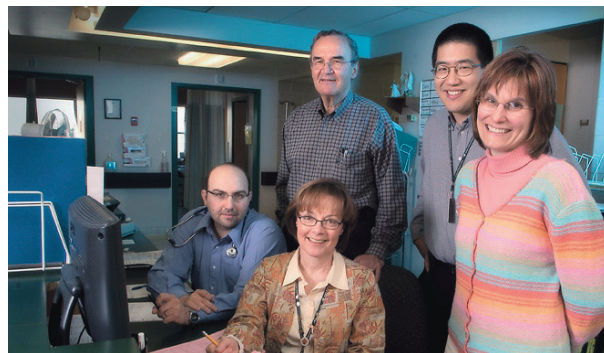
Another milestone this past year was a \$10-million investment by Halton Region and the City of Burlington towards the McMaster University DeGroot Centre of Advanced Management Studies and the Halton McMaster Family Health Centre in Burlington. The Health Centre will serve as a family medical clinic for the general public and provide a practical clinical experience for McMaster family medicine residents to the benefit of all Halton residents.

As we saw, particularly during the recent H1N1 pandemic, physicians in Halton are committed to excellence and work hard to continuously improve the delivery of high-quality, efficient and satisfying care to patients. This commitment goes beyond the time spent in a practice or hospital setting. Halton doctors support each other by sharing their knowledge. They mentor and serve as role models for medical students and medical residents. Halton doctors are also incredibly supportive of the Physician Recruitment program and are a big part of its success. Additionally, like other Halton residents, doctors volunteer in the community, helping to make Halton a wonderful place to live, work, raise a family and retire.

Halton physicians play a vital role in keeping our community healthy and thriving. We are truly fortunate to have such excellent medical care available. During Halton Physician Appreciation Week, we say a collective thank-you to all of Halton's dedicated physicians.

If you would like to find out more about Halton Physician Appreciation Week or Halton Region's Physician Recruitment Program, contact Angela Sugden-Praysner, Physician Recruitment Coordinator at 905-825-6000, toll free 1-866-442-5866 or visit [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca).

### Recognizing Halton Healthcare Services Physicians



Halton Healthcare

"The doctors at Georgetown Hospital are known for both their compassion and commitment to excellence. Halton Hills and Georgetown Hospital are fortunate to have such an exceptionally dedicated and professional group of physicians caring for our community. The level of commitment, collaboration and expertise with which they provide patient centred, quality care is truly inspiring."

—Cindy McDonell, Chief Operating Officer of Georgetown Hospital and Program Leader of Georgetown Hospital Family Practice

*"We have a first-rate team of specialists, family doctors, hospitalists and mid-wives at Halton Healthcare Services. We are very fortunate to be able to attract some of the most talented doctors in the province and this has allowed us to expand our programs. The influx of these new doctors and specialists and the rapidly evolving medical communities in Georgetown, Milton and Oakville enable us to grow with our populations."*

—Dr. Lorne Martin, Chief of Staff, Halton Healthcare Services

"We have an extremely dynamic medical team at Halton Healthcare Services – one that is committed to their patients, our hospitals and our communities. The level of physician engagement and clinical leadership is exemplary. Their professionalism and dedication ensure that the residents of our three communities receive the highest possible quality care."

—Denise Hardenne, Senior Vice-President, Halton Healthcare Services

*"We have a very progressive, diverse, and well-rounded group of physicians at Milton District Hospital who provide an incredible level of expertise to our community. I have always been impressed by both their dedication and their commitment to excellence. Their outstanding contribution to the Milton community is reflected in the patient-focused care our hospital provides."*

—Allan Halls, Chief Operating Officer, MDH, Vice-President, Halton Healthcare Services