

Your Health



NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

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New Emergency Department Now Open

After nearly one year of construction the new Emergency Department (ED) at Georgetown Hospital (GH) opened on October 9, 2013. As staff, physicians and volunteers spent the day transitioning to the new space it was 'business as usual' for the patients and visitors as the first patient to the new ED was welcomed at 7:00 a.m. sharp. Patients coming to GH for emergency services should now enter at the south end of the building through the doors marked Emergency.



The team celebrates a successful move!

With the ED fully relocated to its new space construction work will begin renovating the old ED space to allow for the expansion of the Hospital's Diagnostic Imaging Department.

The Foundation Board Needs to Hear from YOU!

The mission of the Georgetown Hospital Foundation is to raise funds to improve healthcare at Georgetown Hospital. In short, they are the fundraising arm of the Hospital.

The current Georgetown Hospital Emergency Department expansion and Diagnostic Imaging redevelopment are terrific examples of the impact that the Foundation's fundraising has had.

As this historic campaign for these projects nears the finish line, they are looking at the strategic vision for the Foundation's future.

The foundation is seeking your input to identify our strategic vision for the next three to five years. Please visit www.georgetownhospitalfoundation.ca to complete a survey that should take about 5 to 10 minutes.

Your input will be of tremendous help to our volunteer Board of Directors in our planning process. No personal or confidential information is being collected.

Thank you for your help!

The Annual Fall Fashion Show is Nearly Here!

Studio 49 and the Georgetown Hospital Foundation present the Annual Fall Fashion Show. The event will feature martinis, dinner and a fashion show. New this year - a live donation auction to help purchase a new emergency stretcher for the women's health emergency room in our new Emergency Department!

When: Thursday, November 7

Where: Club at North Halton

Price: Tickets are \$125 each

Time: Cocktails - 6:00 p.m. Dinner - 7:00 p.m.

Please call Jackie Fox at 905-873-0111, ext. 8220 for more information or to purchase your tickets today!

HHS Accredited with Exemplary Status

On October 17, 2013 Halton Healthcare Services' (HHS) received notification from Accreditation Canada that its accreditation status has been elevated to Accredited with Exemplary Standing, which is the highest possible status granted by Accreditation Canada.

"This achievement demonstrates your organization's determination and commitment to ongoing quality improvement. We applaud your leadership, staff, and accreditation team members for their efforts and dedication to the provision of safe, quality health services," stated Accreditation Canada in their Award letter.

HHS' next Accreditation will take place in 2017.

For more information on Accreditation Canada please go to www.accreditationcanada.ca. For more information on Halton Healthcare Services please go to www.haltonhealthcare.com.



Thank You!



Thank you to B2C – Business to Community, a local community-focused business networking organization, who have pledged \$5,000 to the Campaign for Georgetown Hospital.

The Georgetown Kiwanis Club presents a \$10,000 donation, part of their \$70,000 pledge to Investing in Care - Close to Home, the Campaign for Georgetown Hospital.



National Pain Awareness Week

National Pain Awareness Week is from November 3-9, 2013. This week provides an opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of pain management, and to demonstrate Halton Healthcare Services' (HHS) successes in pain management.

At HHS, there is a dedicated Acute Pain Team, which consists of Anesthesiologists and specialized Nurses. They ensure patients have the best pain management possible after surgery. Minimizing pain experienced while staying in the hospital is vital to promote rest, rehabilitation and healing. It is a core element of the care provided and is extremely important that our patient's needs are accommodated in this area. Pain management after surgery can lead to better rehabilitation, including the ability to go home sooner and return to normal activities faster.

For more information about pain management at HHS, log onto www.haltonhealthcare.com

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