

Halton Paramedics graduate from in-house training program

Halton Region is pleased to recognize six paramedics who recently graduated from Halton Region's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Advanced Care Paramedic training course. Each of the six paramedics were presented with certificates on November 3 and are now able to offer patients a higher level of pre-hospital care.

"One of the objectives of the 10-year Halton Region EMS Master Plan is to further enhance and educate our paramedics," said Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline. "Because of this continued training, Halton Region has been able to extend the coverage of Advanced Care Paramedics to all four of our local municipalities, enabling our residents the peace of mind to know that the highest level of pre-hospital care is available no matter where they live."

The in-house training program was

created in partnership with the City of Toronto EMS and the Base Hospital for Halton Region, Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital. All aspects of the training program are delivered in Halton, using Halton EMS staff.

"Local delivery of the program allows staff to deliver course materials in a manner that is consistent with the standards and requirements of Halton Region and the medical directives from the Base Hospital," said Dr. Bob Nosal, Medical Officer of Health for Halton Region.

To become an Advance Care Paramedic, a paramedic requires a minimum of one to two years experience and an additional 1,000 hours of training. The training for the program consists of a six-week classroom session that is delivered at EMS Headquarters. The classroom sessions are followed by a six-week clinical session, delivered at Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital. Following the clinical component is a field education session, which runs for a 16-week period.

For more information about Halton Region's Emergency Medical Services, please call Halton Region at 905-825-6000, toll free 1-866-4HALTON (1-866-442-5866), TTY 905-827-9833, or visit the website at www.region.halton.on.ca



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Paramedics who have been graduated from the Advanced Care Paramedic ACP Training Program are Scott Kline, Tracy Sutherland and Sarah Hendry. (Rear) Brian Franks, Mick Chovaz and Katie Webster with Regional Chair Joyce Savoline. The inhouse ACP program was in partnership with Halton Region EMS Base Hospital Program at Joseph Brant Hospital and City of Toronto EMS.

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Mayor Gord Krantz cut the ribbon at the grand opening of Impact Chiropractic and Rehabilitation Centre located at 917 Nipissing Road in Milton last Saturday, October 29. The centre specializes in Auto/ WSIB Injuries, chronic pain, wellness counselling and sports injuries. Pictured here (left to right) are Rinku Garg, Dr. Vinay Garg, Sahib Pershad, Mayor Gord Krantz, Sontosh Garg with her grand son Kabir, Office administrator Kim Hastings and R.M.T Rebecca Morley.

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