

# Your Health



## NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

### New Halton Healthcare Services Chief of Staff

The Board of Directors of Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Lorne Martin as Halton Healthcare Services' Chief of Medical Staff, effective September 1, 2006. Dr. Martin will be replacing Dr. Sol Stern, who announced his intention to step down in January 2006.



Dr. Martin was Halton Healthcare's Chief of Staff from 1994 to 2001 and is currently the Medical Director of Emergency Services at Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital (OTMH). Dr. Martin will continue in this position during his tenure as Chief of Staff.

Dr. Martin joined the active medical staff of the Department of Family Medicine at OTMH in 1983. He became Medical Director of Emergency Services in 1992, and was appointed Chief of Staff of OTMH in 1994.

In 1998, following the amalgamation of OTMH and Milton District Hospital Dr. Martin was appointed Halton Healthcare Services' first Chief of Staff. In that role he led the amalgamation of two distinct medical staffs.

"It is a very exciting time for Halton Healthcare now that our reach has been extended in the Halton Region with the transfer of Georgetown Hospital. Responding to the unprecedented growth of our communities is definitely one of our major challenges," explains Dr. Martin. "I'd like to see HHS continue to build on the existing excellent working relationships, and function as one cohesive organization to expand services and maximize the quality of care for the region. However, I think each hospital should be supported in maintaining their unique culture throughout this process; it enhances our ability to provide the best possible care to our patients."

Dr. Martin will be working with Dr. Stern to ensure a smooth transition during the summer.

### Volunteering at Georgetown Hospital

Looking for a new challenge in the Fall? Interested in volunteering? Have you ever considered volunteering at your community hospital? The Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association has a variety of volunteer opportunities available for men, women and youth 14 years of age and up.

Hospital volunteers supplement the work of our staff by spending the time to touch the lives of our patients and visitors by helping them throughout the hospital. A number of hospital programs and services benefit from the time, talents and energy shared by our volunteer teams working in both direct patient care and behind the scenes.

If you are interested in joining our team, please call the Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association at 905-873-0111, extension 8153, write to us at [ctegelaar@haltonhealthcare.on.ca](mailto:ctegelaar@haltonhealthcare.on.ca) or check out our web site at [www.haltonhealthcare.com](http://www.haltonhealthcare.com).

### How Long Will I Wait? Call 1-866-512-WAIT

Halton Healthcare Services, Credit Valley Hospital and Trillium Health Centre have created a toll-free Wait Time Information Line for patients wanting information on the wait times at these three hospitals for hip and knee replacement surgery, cataract, cancer and cardiac surgeries as well as MRI and CT Scans.

The information is available to help patients make informed choices about their healthcare. Patients are encouraged to listen to the various wait times and discuss the information with their physician to help them decide where to be referred for their surgery.

The toll free number is 1-866-512 WAIT (9248). The data corresponds to the information currently listed on the Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care Wait Time Strategy web site at [www.gov.on.ca/transformation](http://www.gov.on.ca/transformation). The information in the web site and on the toll-free line will be updated regularly.



### Join the HHS Team

At Halton Healthcare Services - a modern, progressive healthcare organization serving Oakville, Milton and Halton Hills - we are committed to quality patient care. At our Hospitals you'll find a team-oriented environment and a community atmosphere that values your individual contributions and celebrates your caring approach and genuine interest in our patients and their well-being.

As we continue to meet the growing needs of our growing communities, we have a variety of full-time and part-time career opportunities - nursing and non-nursing.

Take this opportunity to work in your community. Apply on-line at [www.haltonhealthcare.com](http://www.haltonhealthcare.com).

### Capital Equipment Needs at Georgetown Hospital

Every year the staff and medical staff develop a list of new and replacement equipment and renovations for the upcoming year. This list is called the Capital Equipment List.

The initial list is, as expected, quite lengthy. Through a very comprehensive process, management, staff and medical staff review and revise the list with a critical eye.

The Capital Equipment List for Georgetown Hospital for the 2006/07 fiscal year totals \$590,872 and includes items as expensive as the telemetry upgrade required for the Closed Observation Unit at \$85,000 and as little as an IV Infusion pump costing \$1,418.

If you would like to make a donation towards the purchase of equipment for Georgetown Hospital please contact the Georgetown Hospital Foundation at 905-873-4599 or forward your donation to the Georgetown Hospital Foundation, 1 Princess Anne Drive, Georgetown, Ontario, L7G 2B8.



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