

# Independent & Free Press website currently undergoing work

The Independent & Free Press website— [www.independentfreepress.com](http://www.independentfreepress.com)— is currently undergoing construction as the site switches servers.

While some viewers may still be able to access the site, some content may not be available or pertinent to Halton Hills.

We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this work and hope to have the problems ironed out in the next few days.

Dr. Abdel Malek is Halton's latest recruitment

# Physician opens practice in Georgetown

The Halton Physician Recruitment Initiative recently welcomed Dr. Wafik Abdel Malek to Halton Hills.

Dr. Abdel Malek has joined Dr. Seegobin's office on Sinclair Avenue in Georgetown, where he is welcoming new patients.

Dr. Abdel Malek recently completed his family medicine residency training through the University of Toronto. He previously practised for 15 years as a family physician in Egypt.

He can be contacted at his office at 905-877-9998, located at 99 Sinclair Avenue, Suite 202, Georgetown.

"Even though the Halton Physician

Recruitment Initiative has attracted more than 60 doctors to Halton since 2002, there is still more work to do," said Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr.

"Halton's population is expected to increase and we will continue our efforts to ensure our residents have access to quality medical care as our communities grow".

"We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Abdel Malek," said Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette.

"Halton Region and the Halton Hills Physician Recruitment Committee will continue to work together to attract much-needed qualified family physicians like Dr. Abdel Malek to the town. Dr. Abdel Malek

will be a great addition to our community."

Dr. Abdel Malek learned of opportunities for physicians through Halton's Physician Recruitment Initiative.

The Initiative is a collaborative effort between Halton Region and representatives from the local municipalities of Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville, local physicians and senior area hospital staff.

For a list of newly recruited family physicians who are taking on patients, or more information on Halton Region's Physician Recruitment Program, call 905-825-6000, toll free 1-866-4HALTON, or visit [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca).

## Region website aids residents searching for a family doctor

Local residents looking for a family doctor can now use the Region's website to assist in their search.

The site provides up-to-date contact information about newly-recruited family physicians who are accepting patients across Halton.

"We are pleased to be able to offer this additional help to people in our community who are looking for family physicians," said Regional Chair Gary Carr. "More and more people are using the web to find the information they need and this is a very good example of how we can use our website to make it easier for people to access services."

The listing of new doctors is provided by the Halton Physician Recruitment Initiative, which was established in 2002 to address Halton's shortage of family physicians through a comprehensive marketing and promotion strategy.

It is a collaborative effort between the Region and representatives from the municipalities of Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville, local physicians and senior area hospital staff.

For more information on Halton's physician recruitment program, call 905-825-6000 or visit [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca).

## Community open house goes tomorrow

The Co-operative Program Planning Committee of Halton Hills will be hosting a Community Open House tomorrow Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Georgetown Market Place. This event is an opportunity for community organizations to showcase their group to the residents of Halton Hills.

The community groups participating in the event will focus on the "Halton Hills— Keep Exploring" theme and will also be providing information on their organization.

For more information about the event, contact Joy Thompson, Manager of Recreation Services, Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2601 ext. 2263.

# The Georgetown Market Place presents Steven & Chris Sabados & Hyndman

hosts of  
Life Network's 'So Chic with Steven & Chris'  
and  
HGTV's 'Design Rivals'



Saturday March 3  
1:00 pm  
Centre Court



Steven & Chris will be discussing  
**Fashion DO'S & DON'TS**  
Plus **Make-Up Tips** from  
**Artist to the Stars, Rob Closs**