

**HEALTH CARE: Long-term care funds low**

# Hospitals to blame for lack of funding, province says

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Stinging from criticism from the provincial government, York Region hospitals insist they didn't bother applying for long-term care funding last summer because they simply have no room for more beds.

Last July, the province invited hospitals across the province to apply for funding to provide more beds for patients requiring long-term care. The special short-term funding was designed to bridge the gap until permanent long-term care beds can be provided.

But hospitals across the GTA decided not to apply for the short-term funding, arguing it wasn't worth their while, which prompted criticism from Cam Jackson, Ontario's minister for long-term care.

That criticism is unfair, according to Dan Carriere, president of York County Hospital in Newmarket.

"First of all, we don't have the physical space for those beds," explained Carriere, adding he also doesn't have room to add extra beds for rehab, acute care or continuing care, as recommended by the province's Health Services Restructuring Commission.

"That's why we've been lobbying to get our expansion," he said.

Carriere also pointed out the hospital doesn't have the demand for more long-term care beds.

"We don't have a backlog of those patients in this hospital. The people we have need critical care, surgery or emergency needs," he said. "You need to have a critical mass of patients to make sure it is staffed efficiently. We'd be losing money on this deal." That's what made Jackson's criticism so frustrating.

"When I hear comments like that, it makes me wonder if the right hand knows what the left is doing," said Carriere.

The lack of space was also the issue at Markham Stouffville Hospital, according to president Elizabeth Woodbury.

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9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
Pastor Bill Thornton  
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9:00 a.m. - 3p.m. Parish Conference with The Rev. Canon Tim Elliott  
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November 8th, 1998  
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