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Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital (TDMH) CT Upgrade Project

Tillsonburg, ON – Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital (TDMH) is excited to begin a Computed Tomography (CT) Upgrade project, replacing the current CT scanner with a brand new, state-of-the art CT scanner.

The CT Upgrade Project will be underway from January 15 to March 25, 2024. Upgrade project planning initially began during the pandemic (2021) and was able to move forward this year after a generous donation of \$1.8M from Archie and Irene Verspeeten and Family, as well as support from TDMH Foundation.

The Verspeeten family have donated charitably to various medical facilities in the area with gifts to TDMH specifically exceeding \$3 million. In recognition, our first Donor Naming sign was installed on the face of TDMH and in the hallways of the Diagnostic Imaging Centre in late 2023.

The new CT will be state-of-the-art technology, able to image at 128 slices, almost double the current CT, which means the scans will be quicker and higher quality. Faster exams reduce the time patients have to spend at their appointment, and allow the hospital to complete more exams each day, reducing overall patient wait-times.

The CT Planning and implementation team, consisting of TDMH team members and a number of external organizations with expertise in this area has been engaged to ensure success through every stage of this project. As well, TDMH has brought a mobile CT trailer onsite to ensure that patients requiring emergency or urgent scans will be able to receive exams during construction.

Statement from Kerilyn Bruckler, Interim Team Lead, Diagnostic Imaging TDMH: "It is amazing to see something so big come together in a small town. This trailer ensures that urgent patient care is uninterrupted throughout construction and that's nice to see for our urgent patients."

Statement from Marilyn Robson, Patient and Family Advisory Committee Co-Chair: "It is a monumental task involving all departments of the hospital and the detailed planning that was done and is still being done is more than commendable, it's amazing. As I excitedly observed the arrival of the trailer I knew we were nearing completion of a major step in the plan. On behalf of the patients and families we serve at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital I wish to thank the Verspeeten family for their generous donation that is making this possible."



Photos:



Diagnostic Imaging staff with mobile CT scanner at TDMH



CT mobile trailer located at TDMH

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