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**LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE  
OF HEALTH CARE IN OAKVILLE**

*New hospital construction boosting local economy*

OAKVILLE – The new, state-of-the-art hospital in Oakville will provide up to 457 inpatient beds and offer a full range of acute health care services, including complex continuing care rehabilitation, renal dialysis, acute inpatient care, maternal child care and inpatient and outpatient adult, child and adolescent mental health services.

The Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, joined Oakville MPP Kevin Flynn, Mayor Rob Burton and hospital officials today at the construction site of the new Oakville hospital to mark the pouring of its concrete foundation.

The foundation slab for the new hospital will use more than 5,430 cubic metres of concrete – enough for 2.2 kilometres of sidewalk. Currently, there are more than 200 workers on site daily and at the peak of construction there will be more than 1,100.

Construction began in September 2011 and the project is progressing on time and on budget toward completion in summer 2015.

Construction activities taking place in the next few months include:

- formwork installation for additional concrete pouring for walls and floors
- the installation of natural gas and water services to Third Line
- foundation waterproofing
- weeping tile installation at the basement level
- concrete pouring at ground level

Infrastructure Ontario and the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care are working with Halton Healthcare Services to develop the new replacement hospital, which will remain publicly owned and publicly controlled.

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Visit [www.infrastructureontario.ca](http://www.infrastructureontario.ca) and [www.newoakvillehospital.com](http://www.newoakvillehospital.com) for more information.

**Quotes:**

***Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Infrastructure, Minister of Transportation***

“Today is an important milestone in the construction of a new, state-of-the-art health care facility. This project is part of the largest hospital expansion in Ontario’s history and will benefit the residents of Oakville for many years to come.”

***Kevin Flynn, MPP for Oakville***

“It is exciting to see first-hand the progress being made at the site of Oakville’s new hospital. The hundreds of jobs being created here to build the new hospital is evidence of our government’s commitment to investing in our community.”

***John Oliver, President and CEO, Halton Healthcare Services***

“The creation of the new Oakville hospital is critical to ensure we are able to meet the health care needs of Oakville residents today and in the future. Years of planning, hard work and community partnership are now coming to fruition. We have been laying the groundwork for this new hospital for many years and now our commitment is permanently set.”

***Rob Burton, Mayor, Town of Oakville***

“All of Oakville looks forward to the opening of the new Oakville hospital.”

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