

## Major Construction Milestone Reached at Milton District Hospital

*Province Investing \$501 Million in New Patient Care Building*

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Ontario is reaching a major milestone in the construction of a new four-storey patient care building at Milton District Hospital, which is part of Halton Healthcare.

Today's topping-off ceremony means that the new Milton facility has reached its highest point of construction. This brings Halton Region one step closer to benefiting from this new infrastructure.

Through this expansion, patients in Milton will benefit from:

- Expanded emergency and surgical services, medical and surgical inpatient units, critical care, maternal newborn, diagnostic imaging and support services
- Increased capacity from 63 to 129 inpatient beds, including more single-patient rooms for improved infection prevention and more patient privacy
- The hospital's first Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine
- A Special Care Nursery with capacity for eight bassinets in the Maternal Newborn Unit.

Construction at Milton District Hospital is now underway and is expected to be complete in the spring of 2017, opening to patients in the fall. At the peak period during construction, approximately 500 workers will be on site daily.

Investing in health infrastructure is part of the government's plan to improve access to high-quality, reliable, specialized health care services and facilities for Ontarians, now and in the future.

Ontario is making the largest investment in public infrastructure in the province's history — about \$160 billion over 12 years, which is supporting 110,000 jobs every year across the province, with projects such as roads, bridges, transit systems, schools and hospitals. In 2015, the province announced support for more than 325 projects that will keep people and goods moving, connect communities and improve quality of life.

### QUOTES

"Today marks a significant milestone in the expansion of the Milton District Hospital. When completed, the brand new patient care building and renovations to the existing hospital will ensure patients in Milton have improved access to a number of high-quality services closer to home."

— Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

"Celebrating the highest point of construction of the Milton District Hospital modernization means we are one step closer to completing this project. Once finished, the new centre will help ensure hospital services keep pace with population growth."

— Dipika Damerla, Associate Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

“Today’s topping off of the Milton District hospital expansion project is an historic step for our community and riding. It signals the beginning of an exciting new era of higher quality, patient-centred health care for Halton residents. The highest point of construction is an important milestone that brings us one step closer to more accessible health care to meet the needs of our growing community.”

— Indira Naidoo-Harris, MPP for Halton

“Today’s event marks an important milestone in the construction phase of this exciting project as each day we get closer to substantial completion scheduled for Spring 2017 with opening day in Fall 2017. The added space, new design and advanced technologies that this expansion delivers will help us achieve our vision to transform the community hospital and provide exemplary patient experiences, always.”

— Denise Hardenne, President and CEO, Halton Healthcare

## QUICK FACTS

- As part of the 2016-17 Budget, the province is providing more than \$230 million in funding to Halton Healthcare.
- Modernizing infrastructure in Ontario will support more than 110,000 jobs a year on average in construction and related industries.

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