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### **Milton Community Fund Helps Improve Patient Care at Milton District Hospital**

**(Milton, ON)** – Thanks to a \$48,527 grant from the Milton Community Fund, Halton Healthcare was able to purchase medical equipment, including a vein finder and surgical instruments that will contribute toward improved patient care.

Patient intravenous (IV) insertions are a very common procedure during a patient’s hospital care. The vein finder, deemed best practice in IV insertion, allows for the visualization of the location and quality of the vein resulting in increased accuracy when starting a patient’s IV. The vein finder will assist with more timely IV insertions, more timely medication administration and ultimately an improved patient experience.

The fund also supported the purchase of equipment for the fast growing surgical program.

“As our surgical program continues to grow post hospital expansion, so does the need to perform orthopaedic surgeries,” said Dr. Ted Scriven, MDH orthopaedic surgeon. “The grant funding meant that we were able to purchase an extra hip instrumentation set used to treat fractured hips. The availability of an additional set of instruments means that more patients with fractured hips can be treated on a given day,” he said.

“I would like to extend my heartfelt thank you to the Town of Milton for their generous support through the Milton Community Fund,” said Janet Skupsky, Chief Operating Officer, MDH. “We are very grateful for this equipment as we continue to provide exemplary patient experiences at Milton District Hospital.”

The Milton Community Fund (MCF) program supports activities that enhance the quality of life and/or image of our community. Funds for this program are provided based on proceeds received from the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (Mohawk location).

Medical/Surgical staff at Milton District Hospital showcases the new hip instrumentation set, and a staff member demonstrates how the vein finder works.



#### About Halton Healthcare:

Halton Healthcare is a healthcare organization comprised of three community hospitals - Georgetown Hospital, Milton District Hospital and Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital. Together these hospitals, along with their community locations, provide healthcare services to nearly 400,000 residents in the communities of Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville. Halton Healthcare hospitals have been recognized for their best practices in a number of patient safety and patient care initiatives. For more information, visit [www.haltonhealthcare.com](http://www.haltonhealthcare.com) Follow us on Twitter @HaltonHlthcare and Facebook.



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