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Collingwood General and Marine Hospital Receives Support from the Ontario Government for Hospital Redevelopment project

COLLINGWOOD, ON – August 10, 2021 – Collingwood General and Marine Hospital is excited to be receiving [more than \\$15 million in funding from the Ontario government](#) to support the hospital’s redevelopment. This funding will be used to support planning the renewal and expansion of the hospital’s infrastructure to meet the growing health service needs of patients and families in the South Georgian Bay area.

“We are very pleased to receive approval from the Capital Branch of the Ministry of Health for our Stage 1 submission, and to officially move to Stage 2 of the five-stage process. CGMH and our community are excited to commence engaging in Stage 2 of the process. This announcement represents a significant milestone regarding our hospital redevelopment project,” said Norah Holder, CGMH President & CEO.

Collingwood General and Marine Hospital has been serving a growing community of 60,000 permanent residents, 30,000 weekenders and 3.5 million annual visitors with limited upgrades. As part of the hospital redevelopment project CGMH’s aging infrastructure will be improved through a mix of new construction and additional renovations. The redevelopment project will ensure that CGMH can continue to deliver high-quality health care to the South Georgian Bay community.

The project will include:

- the expansion of key services, including intensive care, emergency, diagnostic imaging, and the operating suite,
- inclusion of new rehabilitation beds to provide care closer to home and the community,
- additional inpatient capacity to allow the hospital to serve more patients and families; and
- renovations to upgrade the existing facility to ensure a comfortable environment for patients to receive care.

Further planning work will confirm priority programs for the hospital. Timelines for project implementation and construction will be determined once planning has been completed.

“After years of waiting patients and their families can finally look forward to a new and improved Collingwood General and Marine Hospital, ensuring the hospital’s dedicated staff and frontline health care workers can continue delivering high-quality care in the community,” said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. “By investing in major





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hospital infrastructure, our government is furthering our commitment to build a modern, connected health care system and put an end to hallway health care for all Ontarians.”

In addition, the Ontario government is taking further action to support Collingwood General Marine Hospital by increasing the hospital’s operating funding for the third straight year. Collingwood General and Marine Hospital will receive over \$1.9 million in additional funding starting this year. This represents an increase of 4.2 per cent to the funding received in 2020/21.

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For more information on this initiative or to arrange an interview, please contact Lisa van Kolfshoten, Communications Officer at (705) 445-2550 ext. 8307 or vankolfshotenl@cgmh.on.ca.

Collingwood G&M Hospital (G&M) is a 74 bed hospital located in Collingwood, Ontario (approximately 90 minutes north of Toronto) that serves more than 60,000 permanent residents and 3.5 Million annual visitors to the communities of Wasaga Beach, Collingwood, Clearview and the Blue Mountains. The G&M is an acute care hospital providing emergency care, diagnostic services including lab, imaging and cardio respiratory therapy, as well as two inpatient units (medicine and surgery). In addition, the G&M also provides care in specialty areas including obstetrics, orthopaedics, intensive care and surgery. The Hospital also provides outpatient care including dialysis and a wide range of clinics including mental health and rehabilitation services. The G&M continues to provide care close to home for our community and plays a key role as an integrated orthopaedic centre for our region. For more information please visit our website at www.cgmh.on.ca and our Foundation website at www.cgmhf.com.

