

Pulse

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Ultrasound Campaign - \$232,000



- Obstetrical (view the uterus and ovaries of a pregnant woman and visualize the fetus)
- Abdominal (diagnose diseases of the liver, kidneys, pancreas, spleen, gallbladder, etc.)
- Female pelvis (uterus, ovaries, bladder)
- Male pelvis (prostate, bladder)
- Thyroid/neck (check glands)
- Vascular (evaluate flow in blood vessels)
- Shoulder (assess injury to muscles/tendons)
- Testicular

We also provide urgent bookings daily for patients from the emergency department that require an ultrasound to help aid in a diagnosis.

The current ultrasound unit at FCHS was purchased over 7 years ago and is now approaching the end of life. It has been a "workhorse" for our department and requires replacement with newer technology to ensure fast, precise, and consistent imaging for our patients.

With these advanced imaging tools and improved ergonomics, this new technology delivers exceptional quality for an accurate diagnosis and treatment.

Tammy Kovacs (CRGS, CRVS)

Ultrasound technology is one of the safest techniques used in Diagnostic Imaging. It uses high-frequency sound waves to generate images of the body. The procedure is generally painless and doesn't have risks of radiation making it safe for the detection of abnormalities.

The Ultrasound Department at FCHS operates Monday through Friday and performs approximately 2,400 scans per year. We perform a large variety of exams, including:

FCHS Middlesex
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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

YES! Here is my gift to help support the FCHS Ultrasound Campaign

Donation Amount: \$ _____

Payment Method: ☐ CHEQUE ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD

Card No.: _____ Expiry: _____ CVC: _____

Signature: _____

Email: _____

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To all new and committed supporters of the FCHS Foundation



As chair of the Foundation, I hope you are doing well while we all keep up-to-date on this pandemic that has changed our lives. As we experience a surge in cases, I hope the number of cases stays at a minimum within our four counties area and that you and your families stay safe and healthy.

Since our last newsletter, our generous community has enabled us to achieve our target for the COVID-19 - 2020 Spring Appeal. The FCHS Foundation continues to discuss ways we can support our hospital as we commence a campaign to raise funds for a new ultrasound machine.

Quality healthcare and modern equipment are key elements to running our hospital efficiently and effectively. The Foundation and the FCHS staff aim to continue making FCHS a vibrant healthcare village. We ask for your support to replace this vital piece of hospital equipment.

Once again, we wish to remind the public that the Ontario Government does not fund capital equipment and is the

responsibility of the FCHS Foundation and our donors. You, local companies, businesses, and service clubs provide that support.

In these unprecedented times, I wish to thank all hospital staff, caregivers, and management for making patient care a top priority and showing that we all have a role to play.

The FCHS Foundation is pleased to welcome two new members, Judy Bodkin and Collin Palmer; we look forward to working with them.

By the time this newsletter is received, the Foundation's strategic planning session will have completed, providing insight on how we move forward over the next few years.

On behalf of the Board of Governors of the Foundation, I thank you for your considerate financial support in our efforts to keep quality health care closer to home.

Tom Jeffery
Board Chair, FCHS Foundation

Meet FCHS Foundation Volunteer Board & Part-Time Administrative Staff



Tom Jeffery
Board Chair



Kirk Patterson
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FCHS Auxiliary Representative



Rosemary Bartlett
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FCHS Representative



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Board Governor



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Board Governor

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I would like to give \$ _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT: I authorize The Foundation of Four Counties Hospital to withdraw from my bank account through my financial institution on the 10th day of each month.

☐ I have enclosed a VOID cheque ☐ I prefer to use my credit card ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD

Card No.: _____ Expiry: _____ CVC: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

You will receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. At any time you can change or cancel your monthly contribution by notifying The Foundation: 519-693-4441 x 2438

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What's Happening at Four Counties Health Services

Hospital Update

On behalf of Four Counties Health Services, we wanted to provide you with a brief hospital update.

- Our sincere thanks to you for your ongoing support of our facility as we continue to navigate the global pandemic. Recently, FCHS staff decided to give back and donated \$580 to the Glencoe St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank for those in need. Also, we continue to accept PPE donations. Those interested in doing so can contact Tom Jeffery at 519-289-5320.
- Keeping our community, patients, staff, and visitors safe continues to be of utmost importance. As such, we continue to have the following COVID safety precautions:
 - Maintaining one entrance for the general public (located at the Emergency Department)
 - Staffing our entrance with screeners
 - Mandating the use of masks
 - Restricting visitor access
- Our Site Director, Kim Jenkins, recently retired. In

reviewing our organizational structure, we have welcomed two new managers: Deb Pastushuk (Clinical Manager) and Lori Sutherland (Health Information and Community Support Services). Together, they provide day-to-day managerial support of the site's operations.

Lastly, we felt it was important to share with you two additional pieces of information:

- Hospital Infographic outlining key statistics for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020
- Summary of Services currently offered onsite, the majority of which have resumed operations from the earlier shutdown caused by the pandemic

Thank you for your unwavering support of our hospital.

Stephane Ouellet

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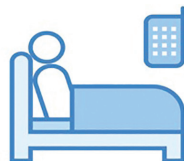
VP Strategic Partnerships, Middlesex Hospital Alliance

Four Counties Health Services Annual Statistics (Fiscal year ending March 31, 2020)



10,710

Emergency Visits (10,587)



12 100.32%

Beds Occupancy Rate (88%)



400

Inpatient Discharges (373)



8,756

Physiotherapy Visits (8,494)



42

Volunteers (48)

1,725

Volunteer Hours
(4,040)



9,083

Imaging Department Exams
(8,300)



348

Endoscopies (162)



9,091

Diabetes Education Encounters
(10,293)

(Previous year's number denoted in brackets)

Status of Hospital Operations

(As of October 14, 200)

SERVICE	STATUS	COMMENTS
Inpatient Services	Ongoing	
Emergency Department	Ongoing	
	Cardiology	Resumed
	Dermatology	Resumed
	Respirology	Resumed
	Diabetes Education	Resumed
Outpatient Services	Group Exercise Class	On Hold To Be Determined
	Rehabilitation (Physio)	Resumed
	Memory Clinic	On Hold January 2021 resumption date
Same Day Services	Endoscopy	Resumed
Community Support Services	Supportive Housing	Ongoing
	Adult Day Program	On Hold To Be Determined
Volunteers	Gift Shop/Book Store/Etc.	On Hold To Be Determined
Students		Partially Resumed Some Post-secondary students have returned.
Tenants	Dr. McCabe / Dr. Sharma	Ongoing
	Wellness Clinic	On Hold To Be Determined
	Flex Clinic	Ongoing
	Dynacare Lab	Ongoing
Foundation		Resumed Staff have returned on site.

2020 Summer/Fall Presentations



Cooper Standard Glencoe – PPE Face Shields



Kiwanis of Rodney – \$2,850 Trivia Night Proceeds



Wardsville Golf Course – PPE donation



Township of Adelaide Metcalfe - \$5,000 towards Ultrasound Campaign



West Elgin Mutual Insurance - \$5,000 towards Ultrasound Campaign

FCHS Infrastructure Update

Recent provincial announcement awarded FCHS with the following grants

Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund (HIRF)	\$191,786
Exceptional Circumstances Project Grant (ECP)	\$1,383,858
Grand Total	\$1,575,644

These grants will be applied to:

- Air Handling Unit (AHU) x 2**
 Existing AHU units service all areas of FCHS and are original to the building. New units will increase control of temperature and humidity as well as increase filtration to meet current Canadian Standards Association standards.
- Windows**
 New windows will replace a large portion of the windows that are original to the building; they will provide improved insulation and add more aesthetic appeal to the building.
- Roof Sections**
 Roofing upgrades done over the past few years will have an additional replacement of approximately 9300 square feet. The new roofing will add insulation to the facility.
- Steam Boiler**
 A new boiler will replace an undersized end-of-life unit which will provide humidification to air handling units, sterilization to the kitchen dish machine, and steam to cooking equipment.

Ryan Whitney

Facilities & Maintenance Services Manager