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Ontario Government Dedicates \$13M to Improve Patient Care At Grand River Hospital

McGuinty Government Providing Families With Better Services In Waterloo Region

NEWS

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Ontario is expanding services at Grand River Hospital to ensure local residents have better access to the quality care they need, close to home.

With support from the province, the hospital will be able to provide care for more patients in expanded programs that include mental health, intensive care, ambulatory care and surgical services. This increased capacity will help to decrease wait times for patients who seek care.

Grand River Hospital's redevelopment project will provide more services in the following areas:

- Acute adult mental health (eight additional beds)
- Child and adolescent inpatient mental health program (4 additional beds)
- Intensive Care Unit (6 additional beds)
- Operating rooms
- Ambulatory care
- Medicine (30 additional beds)

Under the province's *ReNew Ontario* infrastructure investment plan, the Ontario government and its partners are investing in modern and efficient hospitals that support the needs of our aging and diversifying population and giving families peace of mind knowing they have reliable health services close to home.

QUOTES

"The investment and redevelopment of Grand River Hospital provides the staff, doctors and volunteers with an improved and modern health care environment. I'm thrilled that, with today's announcement, Grand River hospital is going to be able to offer residents of Waterloo Region better access to high quality care."

- John Milloy, MPP for Kitchener Centre



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"The expansion of patient care services at the Grand River Hospital is great news for our community. I am very excited because the redevelopment of our local hospital not only results in better access to reliable and quality healthcare for our residents, it is also a significant investment in the modernization of patient care services at our hospitals."

- Leeanna Pendergast, MPP for Kitchener-Conestoga

"We are delighted to receive this funding. This really illustrates a strong commitment from the Ontario Government to ensure that patients are able to access vital services when needed. It will go a long way in helping us provide exceptional care for more patients in our new, expanded care spaces."

- Malcolm Maxwell, GRH President and CEO

"The wonderful modern facility will enhance the patient experience at Grand River Hospital. The additional funding enables the doctors, staff and volunteers to provide ongoing high-quality care for their patients and their loved ones."

Bruce Lauckner, CEO, Waterloo Wellington Local Health Integration Network

QUICK FACTS

- Ontario is providing Grand River Hospital with \$13,117,500 in annual operating funding
- Next year Ontario will invest approximately \$1.3 billion to help modernize the province's health infrastructure.
- Construction is moving forward or complete for more than 100 major hospital redevelopment projects across the province since 2003.

LEARN MORE

See the [infrastructure projects currently underway in Ontario](#).

Find out more about Grand River Hospital [www](#).

Read more about the multi-year [ReNew Ontario](#) infrastructure plan.

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