

Backgrounder

York Central Hospital: Town of Richmond Hill Wing

Scheduled for completion in spring of 2009, Phase One of the major expansion and renovation project will:

- Triple the size of the Emergency and Medical Imaging Departments
- Double the size of the Critical Care Unit
- Create a state-of-the-art Birthing Centre
- Provide Schedule One Mental Health Facilities including 6 new secured beds
- Add new Medical Staff Facilities and a 2,800 sq. ft. Auditorium
- Expand Fracture, Plastics and Ophthalmology Clinics
- Add capacity for 122 new Inpatient Beds
- Estimated cost of \$93.2 million
- Size 148,230 sq. ft.

York Central Hospital's Town of Richmond Hill Wing offers:

Intensive Care Unit (ICU), Inpatient Acute Care, Expanded Emergency Department, new home of the York Region Chronic Kidney Disease Program as well as an additional floor allowing us to add additional beds in the future.

Features of the Intensive Care Unit

- The Intensive Care Unit provides a highly intensive level of care to patients requiring 24-hour medical monitoring and treatment as a result of complex surgeries, life threatening illnesses or injuries.
- The new 13,260 square foot unit is to be located in the new Town of Richmond Hill Wing and will accommodate 22 patient care beds.
- Conveniently located with direct access to the Emergency Department, this new space will feature sliding glass doors and walls creating greater patient privacy and enhanced infection control while still enabling staff to have clear visibility of the patients at all times.
- Also designed to meet the needs of families, the Intensive Care Unit includes a Visitor's Lounge and two Family Support Rooms for more privacy, should it be required.
- The area also offers a Conference Room, Physician On-call Suite and Administrative Support Offices for our multidisciplinary team of healthcare professionals including nurses, internists, intensivists, respiratory therapists, dietitians, social workers, pharmacists and physiotherapists.

- The new unit will be equipped with two isolation rooms and nine segregation rooms with the latest technologies to allow for complete isolation to ensure quality infection control practices.

New Paul B. Helliwell Acute Medicine Inpatient Unit

- York Central Hospital provides high quality, inpatient care for approximately 3,500 adult medicine patients requiring admission to York Central hospital annually.
- The new Inpatient Unit will be easily accessible to our Medical Imaging Department, Laboratory and other diagnostic resources to ensure a timely and comprehensive approach to health care.
- The area also provides conference facilities, physician on-call suite and administrative support offices for our multidisciplinary team of healthcare professionals including: registered nursing staff, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, clinical dieticians and social workers.
- The new unit will include some full isolation rooms and an additional negative pressure room equipped with the latest in air purification systems to ensure quality infection control practice for our community.

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