

TRILLIUM HEALTH PARTNERS TO STRENGTHEN WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES IN MISSISSAUGA AND WEST TORONTO

Integration will bring specialized staff, physicians and services together to deliver a new model of care for patients

January 17, 2024 (Mississauga, Ontario) – Building on the vision and plans for the province's first Women's and Children's Hospital at the future The Peter Gilgan Mississauga Hospital, Trillium Health Partners (THP) is advancing the integration of care for women and children in the community. Beginning in 2025, all Women's and Children's services, including labour and delivery, neonatal intensive care unit (NICU), and other gynecological and reproductive health services, will be provided at Credit Valley Hospital (CVH) until the new hospital is complete.

"This is an important step in realizing the full vision for our new Women's and Children's Hospital and strengthening our ability to deliver the highest quality patient care," stated THP President and CEO, Karli Farrow. "This plan will bring our highly specialized teams, resources, and services together in a single location, ensuring patients receive seamless, integrated care. The transition is a crucial step in supporting the future growth of our community and sets the stage for the new hospital."

In September 2023, THP and the Government of Ontario announced the Women's and Children's Hospital, which will be 200,000-square-foot and equipped with cutting-edge technology, designed to provide the highest standards of care in birthing and newborn health, children's health, and women's health. An important part of a comprehensive system of care, the Women's and Children's Hospital will be purpose-built for families, offering an array of highly specialized services, integrated care, and health system partnerships that will profoundly impact the generational health of the community, from conception through infancy and childhood, and, for women, through all phases of adulthood.

Currently, women's and children's care and services are being provided at both the Mississauga Hospital (MH) and CVH. Bringing these services together in one place will provide a more integrated care model for patients, their families, and THP staff. The full integration to CVH is planned for 2025. This change will offer a common experience for patients and families and enable teams to more effectively manage the increasing demand in the community. Renovations at CVH over the coming year will provide additional Birthing, NICU, and clinic space. The additional space has been designed in a way that will allow other programs to use it once the new Women's and Children's Hospital is complete.

"Bringing together all our women's and children's services at one site will enable us to provide the highest quality of care to this patient population and create predictable, accessible health care services," explained Dr. K. Joan Murphy, Chief of Staff, THP. "In the purposefully designed, integrated space at CVH, our skilled and dedicated teams can work together more seamlessly, ensuring we deliver the highest standard of care with courage, compassion, and excellence."

Emergency departments at MH, as well as CVH, remain fully equipped and able to provide safe, accessible, high-quality care for women and children. If specialized care or admission is required after the integration is complete, the hospital's dedicated teams will work with the patient and their family to ensure they receive the right care, in the right place, at the right time.

"Ensuring the safety and well-being of women and children remains THP's top priority," said Dr. Ivan Cacic, Chief, Women's and Children's Health. "The emergency departments at all our sites, including Credit Valley and Mississauga, will be resourced to support women and children in emergencies, including emergency births."

THP is committed to communicating and engaging with our patients, providers and staff, community and partners as we advance our mission of building a new kind of health care for a healthier community. Existing patients with plans to deliver at the Mississauga Hospital this year can rest assured this is not an immediate change and their birth will proceed at their previously identified location. As the planning and transition to CVH moves forward, information will be available on THP's website and social media channels and shared with the hospital's staff and partners. THP will continue to maximize all available beds, and in partnership with clinical teams, THP will work to determine the most appropriate patient populations to utilize the beds vacated at the Mississauga Hospital as a result of this move.

For information on Trillium HealthWorks, the largest infrastructure renewal project in Canadian history, visit www.trilliumhealthworks.ca.

For information on the future plans for the Women's and Children's Hospital shared in the September 2023 announcement, read the press release [here](#).

WOMENS and CHILDREN'S SERVICES QUICK FACTS

- THP will continue to be able to deliver the most babies of any hospital in Canada, with 8,000+ deliveries each year.
- Over 4,200 women's surgeries performed annually.
- THP will continue to have access to up to 48 NICU bassinets to care for our highest need babies; the fourth highest neonatal capacity in Ontario.
- Over 36,000+ paediatric visits to the THP Emergency Departments.
- THP operates up to 35 paediatric beds, the most inpatient paediatric beds in Ontario, outside of the four specialty children's hospitals (Sick Kids, McMaster's Children's Hospital, Children's Hospital LHSC and CHEO).
- THP is home to the Pediatric Oncology Group of Ontario (POGO)'s Satellite Clinic, which allows kids with cancer to be treated closer to home.
- Select paediatric clinics will remain at or adjacent to the Mississauga Hospital, including the Family Care Centre and Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Services.

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Trillium Health Partners (THP) is one of the largest community-based hospital systems in Canada. Comprised of Credit Valley Hospital, the Mississauga Hospital and the Queensway Health Centre, THP serves the growing and diverse populations of Mississauga, West Toronto, and surrounding communities. THP is a teaching hospital affiliated with the University of Toronto, is an associate member of the Toronto Academic Health Science Network and a proud member of Mississauga's Ontario Health Team. THP is committed to reducing inequities and improving health in the community. Visit www.trilliumhealthpartners.ca.

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