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**GROUNDBREAKING ON THE FUTURE HOME OF THE GILGAN FAMILY QUEENSWAY
HEALTH CENTRE MARKS NEXT BIG STEP TOWARDS THE FUTURE OF CARE**

Construction starts on the largest health care expansion in South Etobicoke's history

April 9, 2024 (Etobicoke, ON) – Trillium Health Partners (THP) and the Ontario Government have marked a historic milestone in transforming the future of rehabilitation and complex care in Mississauga and West Toronto. By breaking ground today, construction has officially started on the future home of The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre patient care tower, a modern 600,000 square foot building that will open up access to specialized services, expand much needed capacity and improve the overall health of our community.

Demand for specialized care in our community is expected to grow significantly over the next two decades, and more specifically in the areas of rehabilitation and complex continuing care as our community ages. For the first time at THP, these services will be offered in one integrated health care setting, built specifically for this purpose, with the emotional and physical needs of these patients in mind. Once complete, the Queensway Health Centre will become The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre in recognition of the significant donation made by the Peter Gilgan Foundation in 2022. The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre will be designed to remove obstacles and barriers to health as we support changes for the community that address inequities and leaves no one behind.

"The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre will be a modern centre for complex care and rehabilitation services, dedicated to provided people-centred care because when we care for a whole patient our entire community becomes stronger," said Karli Farrow, President and CEO at Trillium Health Partners. "With an unwavering focus on sustainability and adaptability, the design of this facility prioritizes our vision for health care excellence, both now and in the future."

By bringing together specialized teams, resources, and services, the new nine-storey patient care tower will strengthen THP's ability to provide high-quality care to patients with more unique and complex needs than ever before. THP is taking a learning health systems approach, which means taking research findings and applying them more efficiently and immediately to enhance population health, health equity, patient experience, and workforce sustainability and affordability. Key features of the new tower will include:

- Accommodation for over 350 beds with 100% private rooms, this is in addition to the 198 beds Queensway Health Centre operates today
- Purpose-built areas for group rehabilitation, activities, and communal dining
- Outdoor spaces designed to support restoration and healing
- Comprehensive dialysis care services for both inpatients and community members

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- Modern tools and technology to support both patients and staff, including integrated bedside terminals and digital monitoring systems
- A new 800-space parking structure, which was completed in February 2024

"We are thrilled to break ground on the future home of The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre expansion, a critical step in making care more connected and convenient in Etobicoke and neighbouring communities," said Premier Doug Ford. "With our government's support for this project and more than 50 hospital projects across the province, we're building a strong and resilient health care system for all Ontarians."

"Under the leadership of Premier Ford, our government is making historic investments in Ontario's health care sector," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "The expansion of the future home of The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre is just another example of how we are investing in the health care needs of Ontario's growing communities to deliver the highest standard of care. With this new hospital expansion, our government is ensuring the needs of Peel Region and Etobicoke will be met for decades to come."

With this evolution in care, THP will attract a wide range of learners, professionals and volunteers who are seeking to enhance their skills and build careers in a dynamic, cutting-edge health care environment. The new facility will serve as a rich learning space with ample opportunities for education and training, which will build up our next generation of health care workers, while empowering all workers to challenge what is possible for tomorrow.

"The Gilgan family is excited to support this mission, recognizing the profound impact it will have on the livelihood of this community," said Peter Gilgan. "The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre isn't just a new health care building; it's a symbol of how we can revolutionize an important corner of our care system and improve the every-day health of people."

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QUICK FACTS:

- No hospital in Ontario will face greater growth: the demand for services is projected to double in the next 20 years
- No community has grown more: Over the last 20 years, Trillium Health Partner's catchment population has grown equivalent to the size of an entire city
- EllisDon Corporation has been awarded a fixed price contract of \$1.3 billion to build and finance the future home of The Gilgan Family Queensway Health Centre
- Patient tower occupancy and final completion is planned for 2029
- Trillium Health Partners serves a richly diverse community, with over half of people living in the community born outside of Canada, and more than 130 languages spoken here

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Trillium Health Partners

Trillium Health Partners is one of the largest community-based hospital systems in Canada. Comprised of Credit Valley Hospital, the Mississauga Hospital and the Queensway Health Centre, Trillium Health Partners serves the growing and diverse populations of Mississauga, West Toronto and surrounding communities. Trillium Health Partners 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 Health (Ontario Health Team).

Trillium Health Partners Foundation

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