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# Ontario investing \$ 2,879,855 to improve Trillium Health Partners

Province Investing in Renewed Facilities to Deliver High-Quality Health Care

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### NEWS

Mississauga—Today Harinder Takhar, MPP for Mississauga-Erindale was at the Credit Valley Hospital to make an announcement regarding funding of \$ 2,879,855 which the Trillium Health Partners are receiving this year under the Hospital Renewal Infrastructure Fund to revitalize its facilities. MPP Takhar was joined by Michelle DiEmanuele, President and CEO Trillium Health Partners, Bill MacLeod, CEO Mississauga Halton LHIN for the announcement.

Ontario is continuing to strengthen and support hospitals in Ontario with repairs and upgrades to 131 hospitals this year, to provide patients with high-quality care in a safe and healthy environment.

Funding provided by the province under the HIRF (Hospital Infrastructure Renewal Fund) allows hospitals to make critical improvements to their facilities, including upgrades or replacements to roofs, windows, heating and air conditioning systems, fire alarms and back-up generators.

The 2017 balanced Budget includes a new \$7-billion booster shot to health care, building on the commitment made in the 2016 Budget. This investment will improve access to care, expand mental health and addiction services, and enhance the experience and recovery of patients.

Ontario is increasing access to care, reducing wait times and improving the patient experience through its <u>Patients First Action Plan for Health Care</u> and OHIP for Children and Youth Pharmacare – protecting health care today and into the future.

### **QUOTES:**

"These repairs and upgrades are crucial to ensuring all patients get the help they need now and in the future. By upgrading our hospitals' infrastructure, we are helping Ontarians get the best health care close to home."

- Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

"The Government of Ontario is committed to providing best healthcare to all Ontarians and meet the growing needs of the communities. This Hospital Infrastructure Renewal funding will help Trillium Health Partners to make necessary repairs so that patients can have a comfortable and safe healing environment"

--- Harinder Takhar, MPP, Mississauga-Erindale

"Today's funding provides a critical infusion of dollars to support the maintenance of infrastructure at Trillium Health Partners. Importantly, it enables continued access to high quality care in an environment that is conducive to patient comfort, healing and recovery."

- Bill MacLeod, CEO, Mississauga Halton LHIN

"Delivering safe, exceptional care to our patients is our top priority. This funding will allow us to make critical infrastructure repairs and upgrades across our three sites, such updating nurse call buttons to improve patient safety, upgrading electrical infrastructure serving critical systems, upgrading our hot water system delivery and modernizing some of our elevators, all to maintain the integrity of our three hospital sites."

- Michelle DiEmanuele, President and CEO, Trillium Health Partners

## QUICK FACTS

- The province is investing \$175 million in repairs and upgrades to hospitals this year through the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund (HIRF).
- HIRF was established in 1999 to assist hospitals in renewing their facilities.
- As part of the 2017 Budget, Ontario is also spending an additional \$9 billion to support the construction of new hospital projects across the province. This brings Ontario's total planned investment in hospital infrastructure to more than \$20 billion over the next 10 years.
- The government's investment of more than \$190 billion over the 13-year period starting in 2014–15 is the largest infrastructure investment in the province's history. It is helping to build new child care spaces, schools, hospitals, public transit, highways and roads.

## LEARN MORE

- Patients First: Action Plan for Health Care
- Building Together, Ontario's long-term infrastructure plan