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**Applications due July 15 for 2008-2009 Health Professions Scholarship, NHH –
Dollar value of scholarships increased this year!**

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Wednesday, July 9, 2008 – Northumberland Hills Hospital is accepting applications until July 15 for the 2008-2009 Health Professions Scholarship. Available to aspiring health care professionals from the area looking for financial support for their education, the awards will be presented later this summer.

Created in 2003, the purpose of the Health Professions Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance to students from the west Northumberland community who are pursuing a career in the health care sector. Two students currently enrolled in a health profession or allied health profession program at an accredited university or community college will be awarded a scholarship. **In recognition of the rising cost of tuition and living expenses, the size of the award has increased this year as well—up from \$500 to \$1000 per recipient!**

“There are excellent career opportunities in health care today,” said Joan Ross. “With high demand across the country for physicians, nurses and many allied health professions, those pursuing studies at this stage will graduate into an employees’ market! As profiled in the latest edition of our hospital newsletter In Touch (see the Publication section of the News area of our Web site) many opportunities exist at NHH today and in health care settings outside the hospital’s doors. We’re hopeful that by supporting local students in this small way, we can inspire them to stay in the area and consider a career close to home!”

In addition to being enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a full-time study program, applicants are evaluated on a combination of criteria, including academic achievements, extra-curricular activities, a cover letter explaining their interest in the field and two written references. For details on the Program, and an electronic version of the application form, candidates should go to the Careers section of the hospital’s Web site at www.nhh.ca and look for “Student Scholarship.”

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About Northumberland Hills Hospital – The Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) is located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto. The 137-bed acute care hospital delivers a broad range of core services, including medical/surgical care, complex/long-term care, rehabilitation, palliative care, obstetrical care and intensive care. NHH also sponsors a Community Mental Health Centre and an Assertive Community Treatment Team. The hospital serves the catchment area of west Northumberland County. A mixed urban and rural population of approximately 60,000 residents, west Northumberland comprises the Town of Cobourg, the Municipality of Port Hope and the townships of Hamilton, Cramahe and Alnwick/Haldimand. NHH employs over 500 people and is an active member of the Central East LHIN. For more information, please visit www.nhh.ca.