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NHH Board of Directors
Next Meeting

Thursday, September 5th, 2013
5:00 PM, Board Room, NHH

Screening is the best way to find cancer early!

Get the latest information on best practices and local supports and speak to health experts at The Big Three Cancer Screening Information Event, September 18th

Staying informed about the latest medical recommendations for cancer screening is no easy feat.

Multiple cancers, changing guidelines and different practices for different age groups—who wouldn't be confused? Add in a busy life and multiple priorities and it's no wonder many of us miss out on important opportunities to protect our own health and the health of those we love. One fact we shouldn't overlook: cancer screening is the best way to find cancer early... and early detection can lead to better outcomes.

On Wednesday, September 18th, a team of medical professionals from Northumberland Hills Hospital will join forces with colleagues from Cancer Care Ontario and local community health care agencies to offer an interactive discussion and information display on current screening practices for "The Big Three": breast, cervical and colorectal cancers.

Think of it as a short investment in the rest of your life.

Who should attend?

Everyone with questions about the latest screening recommendations for The Big Three: breast, cervical and colorectal cancers. Come for yourself, or come for a loved one. Drop in for a few minutes, or stay for the full two hours. All are welcome, and parking is FREE!

What health professionals will be present?

Local surgeons, general practitioners, obstetrician-gynecologists and radiologists will be on hand to share literature you can take home, answer your questions and point you to local resources right in our community. Those who are eligible can self-register on-the-spot for a mammogram through the Ontario Breast Screening Program. Experts from Cancer Care Ontario will be there too, as will representatives from the Northumberland Family Health Team, and the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

What will I learn?

The goal of this interactive event is to provide you with the latest information on where, when and how to be screened, as well as facts on the local services available if cancer is detected. Bring your questions and your concerns.




When is The Big Three event?

Wednesday, September 18th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM in the Education Centre (2nd floor) at Northumberland Hills Hospital, 1000 DePalma Drive, Cobourg.

The informational displays will be open for two hours. Stop in at any time, but plan to be there for 7:00 PM to hear a short presentation from some of the experts in the room, including: **Dr. Kaes Al-Ali**, breast and general surgeon, **Dr. Michael Green**, obstetrician-gynecologist, and **Dr. Mark Essak**, family doctor.

Free parking and door prizes! For more information please contact Jennifer Gillard at 905-377-7757 or jgillard@nhh.ca.

Screen for Life
Cancer screening sees what you can't

-  Breast
-  Cervical
-  Colorectal

Linda Davis named incoming President and CEO of NHH

Message from Doug Mann, Chair, Board of Directors

It's my pleasure to share an important announcement delivered late last week to the hospital team by John Hudson, NHH Board Director and Co-Chair of our Board's CEO Selection Committee. The incoming President and CEO of NHH is **Linda Davis**.

A senior executive with over 30 years' experience in the Canadian health-care sector, Ms. Davis is currently President and CEO of the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital (CGMH). She will assume her new duties at NHH on November 18th.

Ms. Davis trained as a Registered Nurse at the University of Alberta Hospital in Edmonton. She nursed in Vancouver, British Columbia, in the intensive care areas of St. Paul's Hospital, before moving to Montreal where she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing and a Master's of Science, both from McGill University.

Ms. Davis focused her work and studies in geriatrics for several years before moving on to hold progressively more senior positions in hospital administration in Quebec and Ontario. She has completed the Canadian Health Services Executive Program and holds the Canadian Health Executive (CHE) designation.

While her focus remained on the health-care sector, Ms. Davis gained valuable experience outside hospitals in the late 1990s when she launched her own consulting firm. Independent and collaborative projects with larger firms such as Deloitte Consulting were her focus during that time.

Missing the teamwork that hospitals offer, Ms. Davis returned to hospital administration in the North Simcoe/Muskoka region of Ontario. She was Vice President of Patient Services at Orillia Soldier's Memorial before moving into the position of Interim CEO at the same hospital for one year prior to accepting the position of CEO at CGMH.

While many impressive candidates stepped forward for this role, Linda brought the exact mix of qualifications, experience and values we set out to find. The Board was unanimous in its agreement that she was the right person for this very important job.

The position of President and CEO at NHH has been filled on an interim basis by **Helen Brenner**, NHH's Vice President, Patient Services and Chief Nursing Executive (CNE).

We are in debt to Ms. Brenner for so capably assuming the leadership role over the past four months. She works tirelessly for NHH and this community and on behalf of the Board I want to publicly acknowledge her leadership skills and dedication. She will continue as Interim President and CEO until Ms. Davis's arrival, at which point she will resume her former position as Vice President, Patient Services and CNE.

I would also like to thank the nine members of the Board's CEO Selection Committee for their effort to fill the hospital's top position. In addition to Co-Chairs **Bob Carman** and **John Hudson**, the Committee included **Jack Russell**, First Vice Chair, **Beth Brook**, Second Vice Chair, **Christine Stewart**, **Dean Pepper**, **John Farrell**, **Dr. David Broderick**, Chief of Staff, and **Dr. Haig Basmajian**, General Surgeon.

Ms. Davis and her husband are looking forward to making a new home in west Northumberland. Please join our Board, staff, physician community and volunteers in extending a very warm welcome.



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