



NEWS RELEASE/PUBLIC NOTICE

Incident at main front entrance this AM (August 15) – Update #1

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Tuesday, August 15, 2023—Earlier this morning at approximately 8:48 AM, a vehicle lost control at the main front entrance to the hospital. The vehicle mounted the curb, hit the building and proceeded through the glass enclosure immediately outside the main entrance before coming to rest against the stone wall beneath the wooden overhang.

The occupants of the vehicle (two) were taken into the Emergency Department for care. No injuries were sustained by individuals inside the hospital.

“The hospital remains fully accessible and open for business with the exception of the main entrance which will remain closed pending completion of the police investigation and inspection for structural damage,” said Susan Walsh, President and CEO.

“At this time, all incoming and outgoing patients and visitors are being directed by volunteers, staff and signage to use the Dialysis entrance or the Emergency Department entrance and we are working to get temporary way-finding signage in place. We thank everyone for their patience. Sincere thanks to our first responders for their quick reaction and support.”

An update will follow later today as more details are available.

Media contact: Jennifer Gillard, Vice President, Patient Experience, Public Affairs and Strategic Partnerships, jgillard@nhh.ca or 905-377-7757.

About Northumberland Hills Hospital – Located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto, NHH delivers a broad range of acute, post-acute, outpatient and diagnostic services. Acute services include emergency and intensive care, medical/surgical care, obstetrical care and palliative care. Post-acute specialty services (PASS) include restorative care and rehabilitation. Mental health care, cancer and supportive care, dialysis and other ambulatory care clinics are offered on an outpatient basis through partnerships with regional centres and nearby specialists. NHH offers a full range of diagnostic services, including magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT) and mammography. The hospital serves the catchment area of west Northumberland County. A mixed urban and rural population of approximately 63,000 residents, west Northumberland comprises the Town of Cobourg, the Municipality of Port Hope, Alderville First Nation and the townships of Hamilton, Cramahe and Alnwick/Haldimand. NHH employs more than 700 people and relies on the additional support provided by physicians, midwives and volunteers. NHH is an active member of Ontario Health (East)—formerly the Central East Local Health Integration Network—and

the Ontario Health Team of Northumberland. For more information, please visit nhh.ca or follow us on Facebook [@northumberlandhillshosp](https://www.facebook.com/northumberlandhillshosp) or Twitter [@NorHillsHosp](https://twitter.com/NorHillsHosp).

– END–