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Deadline extended for Health Professions Scholarship applications

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Thursday, February 21st, 2013 – The deadline for applications to the Northumberland Hills Hospital's annual Health Professions Scholarship Program has been extended. Applications for the 2013 awards are now due by **Friday, March 15th**.

Introduced by the hospital in 2003, the purpose of the Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance to students from west Northumberland who are pursuing a career in the health care sector. Applicants are evaluated on the basis of their academic achievements, extra-curricular activities, a testimonial explaining their interest in a health-care field and written references. All applicants must be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a full-time study program.

By supporting local students early in their academic studies, Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) hopes to encourage area youth to consider NHH in their career path when the time comes to select an employer.

The 2013 scholarships (\$1,000 for each student selected) will be presented at the May meeting of the Northumberland Hills Hospital's Board of Directors.

Full details, including a downloadable Application Form and information on the Scholarship's 2012 recipients, are available on the Careers tab of the hospital's website at www.nhh.ca.

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About Northumberland Hills Hospital – Located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto, Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) delivers a broad range of acute, post-acute, outpatient and diagnostic services. Acute services include emergency and intensive care, medical/surgical care, and obstetrical care. Post-acute specialty services (PASS) include restorative care, rehabilitation and palliative care. Mental health care, chemotherapy, dialysis and 16 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 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 approximately 600 people and relies on the additional support provided by physicians and volunteers. NHH is an active member of the Central East Local Health Integration Network. For more information, please visit www.nhh.ca.