



NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS HOSPITAL

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Welcome to the world, Amarii Allen Pedersen – first leap day baby born at NHH today

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Tuesday, February 29, 2016—Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) welcomed its first leap day baby of 2016 earlier today. Amarii Allen Pedersen, the first son of Tamara Pedersen, of Oshawa, Ontario, was born at 4:21 AM and weighed 7 pounds, 3,175 grams.

Marked every four years, leap years contain one extra day (366 versus the usual 365) in order to keep the calendar year synchronized with the astronomical or seasonal year.

Several more leap year babies are expected at NHH before March officially arrives at midnight tonight. Congratulations to all!

Close to 500 babies were welcomed at NHH last year (2014/15). The hospital's interdisciplinary team includes midwives, family physicians, obstetricians, anesthesiologists, registered nurses and allied health professionals.

Related links:

For more information on leap year see: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leap_year

For details on NHH's maternal/child care program, see the hospital's website at: <http://www.nhh.ca/Patients/PatientCareServices/AcuteCare/MaternalChildCare.aspx>

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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, 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 or follow us on Twitter [@NorHillsHosp](https://twitter.com/NorHillsHosp).

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