

April 27, 2016

Dear Neighbours of the Southampton Hospital,

Grey Bruce Health Services (GBHS) values the importance of being a good neighbour and has enjoyed good relations with our neighbours in Southampton around the Saugeen Memorial Hospital. We want to ensure that these good relations continue with each and every one of our neighbours as we undergo a major renovation and expansion to the hospital's emergency department and laboratory.

Construction on the hospital site will begin in the week of May 16, 2016 and is expected to be finished by the Fall of 2018. Maystar General Contractors Inc. has been awarded the construction contract. The property on the north east corner of High and Grey Streets across from the hospital will be used as the staging area for the construction activities. The hospital will remain open and fully functioning during construction.

We recognize that the area surrounding the hospital will be busy during the construction period. We will do our very best to keep any disruption and inconvenience to a minimum. The construction team will work Mondays to Fridays, starting at 7 a.m., and will make every effort to limit any excessive noise to a later start time in the day. GBHS staff will work with the construction crew to ensure the site is well maintained.

During the first phase of the project, the main entrance of the hospital will be re-built, and patients and staff will be entering and exiting from the back of the hospital. During phase 2, the main entrance will re-open, and the emergency department expansion will begin, followed by the laboratory expansion.

Parking in the neighbourhood will be disrupted during construction, and we will be encouraging patients and visitors to park in the lot behind the hospital. Once the renovation is completed, we will re-develop the lot on the NE corner of High and Grey Street for parking, with landscaping, privacy fencing, and low facing lighting (night sky compliant). The row of mature trees along High street will be protected throughout construction, and all trees will remain.

If you have questions, concerns or feedback during any stage of this project, please contact our hospital Manager, Donna Chappelle, at dchappelle@gbhs.on.ca or call 519-376-2121, Ext. 3285. We will post construction updates on our website at www.gbhs.on.ca.

We appreciate your patience and co-operation during this project and look forward to offering even better health care in Southampton in the very near future.

Sincerely,



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