



# On the Rise

## Update on the New Royal Ottawa Hospital

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### BUILDING ACTIVITIES for the NEW ROYAL OTTAWA HOSPITAL

*This bulletin is the eighth in a series as part of our communications plan to inform staff, patients, volunteers, and the community about the re-development of the new Royal Ottawa Hospital.*

Significant progress has been made on the new hospital site over the past several weeks. After considerable digging, the floors are now in on the west wing, and concrete is being poured for the centre wing.

Please take notice of the several new STOP signs on the hospital campus, the newly-installed speed bumps, as well as pedestrian crosswalks. Over the next few weeks, a sidewalk will be built alongside the Merivale Road entrance roadway, and a pedestrian crosswalk installed from the sidewalk to the front of the Lady Grey Building (Main Entrance). You no doubt have noticed the increase in pedestrian traffic, so please watch for the traffic signs and pay extra attention to posted speed limits.

**CHANGES TO WHITNEY BUILDING:** As the construction of the new facility progresses, the east exit doors of the Whitney Building will become in-operable. To ensure that the hospital continues to abide by fire code regulations, a new exit will be constructed through Room 209. In order for this to occur, there will be some exterior and interior construction activities, and multiple staff and office relocations. Moves are not easy at the best of time but we hope, through ongoing communication and collaboration, that we will work our way through this together.

Site preparation for the construction of the new fire exit doors began on the weekend of April 16th, and will continue until Monday, April 25th, when the actual construction will start. The new exit will be complete by Monday, May 6th.

**LIVE SITE CAMERA AVAILABLE:** For most of us, building a new hospital is a first-ever experience, and we wanted to be sure that everyone could share in the excitement of the re-development as it advances day by day. So check out the link to the live site camera at: [www.royalottawahospital.com](http://www.royalottawahospital.com) if you'd like to follow the progress of construction (bottom button, left side of page).

We appreciate your comments and your concerns. Please continue to keep the ROHCG Communications team informed of any issues you feel need to be addressed by phone at the Royal Ottawa Hospital, (613) 722-6521, ext 6767, or by E-mail to [dgiroux@rohcg.on.ca](mailto:dgiroux@rohcg.on.ca).

#### EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In any emergency situation related to the re-development of the ROH, please contact the following:

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