



On the Rise

Update on the New Royal Ottawa Hospital

November 12, 2004 – BULLETIN #1

SITE PREPARATION for the NEW ROYAL OTTAWA HOSPITAL

This bulletin is the first 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.

After four years of negotiation and planning, the re-development of the Royal Ottawa Hospital is about to take off. Initially, there will be several weeks of site preparation activities, followed by the construction of the new facilities. Over the coming weeks, months, and years, we will be issuing these bulletins on a regular basis to keep all stakeholders informed and up-to-date. Please note that our projected dates are approximate.

You will see construction crews from EllisDon on the Royal Ottawa Hospital campus as of November 15th, 2004. These crew members will be oriented to our site and our patient care programs, in order to minimize disruption to patients and staff.

EARLY PHASE – Beginning November 15, 2004

Initially, there will be site preparation activities taking place in various locations on the Royal Ottawa Hospital campus over approximately a four-week period. These activities are divided into two phases.

PHASE 1 activities will occur over approximately a two-week period starting November 15th:

- Selective tree removal will occur in several areas of the hospital grounds;
- Storage trailer at the north end of the hospital campus will be relocated;
- Oil bunker at the north end of the hospital will be demolished;
- Gazebos will be relocated to the Patient Garden at the north end of campus;
- Construction of short term/metered parking will begin;
- There will be no changes made to existing roadways/parking during Phase 1.

PHASE 2 will take approximately two weeks to complete, starting November 30th:

- A temporary walkway from Carling Avenue to ROH Main Entrance and Royal Ottawa Place will be built;
- Construction of a new access road from Merivale Road will begin;
- Some parking will be lost in the lot adjacent to the Main Entrance, but these spots will be regained in the staff parking area at the north end of the campus;
- Additional staff parking will be made available at the north end of the hospital campus;
- There will be no changes to existing roadways in Phase 2.

CONSTRUCTION PHASE – Beginning December 15, 2004

PHASE 3 includes all the building activities, which will take place over a two-year period. At the beginning of Phase 3, there will be several changes made to the Royal Ottawa Hospital campus that will remain in effect for the duration of the construction. We estimate that this phase will begin by mid-December.

- Main entrance access road for the ROH will be changed to Merivale Road;
- One-way entrance only from Carling Avenue will be in effect;
- Upper parking lot in front of the Whitney Building will be closed;
- New staff card access parking at the north end of campus will be in effect;
- Roadway restrictions due to construction perimeter will be in effect, including alternative routing to Royal Ottawa Place, Whitney Building, and Youth Psychiatry;
- Closure of the south entrance to the Perley Building.

Please feel free to send us your comments or questions by phone at the Royal Ottawa Hospital, (613) 722-6521, ext 6767, or by E-mail to dgiroux@rohcg.on.ca.

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