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CENTRAL WEST LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK

Nursing (Patient Lifts)

The McGuinty government is improving the quality of care for patients by investing \$29 million to purchase mechanical patient lift equipment in hospitals and long-term care homes throughout the province.

The priority for this funding is for ceiling/wall mounted lifts. This equipment will not only improve patient safety by reducing their chance of injury while being moved, but it will also reduce the risk of injury to healthcare workers. Creating healthy work environments is important to the recruitment and retention of health care workers.

The ministry is currently negotiating a bulk purchasing agreement for the mechanical patient lifts to obtain the most lifts for the best price. Cost savings from this process will go towards the purchase of additional lifts.

Laboratory Equipment in Hospitals

The McGuinty government is improving the service quality and efficiency of laboratories in hospitals by investing \$18.9 million to purchase laboratory equipment and \$2 million for regional forensic autopsy suite equipment in hospitals throughout the province.

Included in the approved list of equipment are specific types of blood and chemistry analyzers, microscopes and autopsy equipment. The implementation of new equipment and technology will support Ontario's medical laboratory system with the capacity to meet increasing service demands, while improving service quality and efficiency.

Land Ambulance

The McGuinty government is improving existing land ambulances and equipment by investing \$12 million to replace and upgrade existing equipment throughout the province.

Approved equipment includes ambulances, Emergency Response Vehicles, defibrillators, stretchers, ventilators and selected trauma equipment. Many vehicles and items essential to patient care have, or are quickly reaching the end of their useful lives and require replacement. Ensuring the equipment used by land ambulance services in Ontario is updated and replaced benefits all Ontario residents.

Long-Term Care Homes

The McGuinty government is improving the quality of care for long-term care residents by investing \$7.2 million throughout the province.

Equipment approved for purchase include various diagnostic, security and safety devices along with specialized equipment used in the treatment of wound therapy, pain management and skin protection. This equipment will improve resident care and safety as well as reduce time required to receive care.

Community Health Centres

The McGuinty government is improving patient care by investing \$1 million in diagnostic and medical equipment in community health centres throughout the province.

Funded equipment includes examination tables, electrocardiograms, defibrillators and ultrasound machines. This investment will improve patient access and care by upgrading and enhancing existing medical diagnosis and treatment equipment.

HOSPITAL	CATEGORY			
	Nursing (Critical Care Bed Lifts)	Nursing (Ceiling Bed Lifts)	Lab Services (General) (\$)	Lab Services (Forensic Autopsy) (\$)
William Osler Health Centre	22	1	85,000	-
Headwaters Health Care Centre	4	-	-	-
TOTAL	26	1	\$85,000	\$0

LONG-TERM CARE HOME	CATEGORY	
	General DME (Diagnostic, Safety Equipment, etc.) (\$)	Nursing (Bed Lifts)
<i>Dufferin</i>		
488491 Ontario Inc. - Avalon Care Centre	13,200	9
Corporation of the County of Dufferin - Dufferin Oaks Home for Senior Citizens	15,416	-
Provincial Long Term Care Inc. - Shelburne Residence	5,781	3
<i>Peel</i>		
1245556 Ontario Inc. - Burton Manor	12,333	41
Diversicare I Ltd. Partnership - Tullamore Nursing Home	15,320	-
Extendicare (Canada) Inc. - Brampton	14,453	-
Holland Christian Homes Inc. - Grace	11,562	

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	General DME (Diagnostic, Safety Equipment, etc.) (\$)	Nursing (Bed Lifts)
Manor		
Holland Christian Homes Inc. (Faith Manor Nursing Home)	11,562	12
King Nursing Home Ltd.	8,286	9
Leisureworld Caregiving Centre - Brampton Meadows	15,416	-
Leisureworld Inc. - Brampton Woods	15,416	-
Oakwood Retirement Communities Inc. - The Village of Sandalwood Park	11,562	13
Peel Housing Corp. (Vera M. Davis Nursing Home)	3,854	4
Regional Municipality of Peel - Malton Village Long-Term Care Centre	15,416	-
Regional Municipality of Peel - Tall Pines Long Term Care Centre	15,416	-
Regional Municipality of Peel - Vera M. Davis Community Care Centre	2,312	-
Regional Municipality of Peel (Peel Manor Home for the Aged)	17,054	-
Specialty Care - Woodhall Park	14,164	39
<i>Toronto</i>		
City of Toronto, Homes for the Aged Division (Kipling Acres)	32,471	18
Leisureworld (Leisureworld Caregiving Centre - Etobicoke)	15,416	21
The Canadian Long Term Care Operations division, Central Care Corporation	27,942	-
Versa Care Limited (Versa-Care Centre, Rexdale)	15,224	-
<i>York</i>		
Chartwell Master Care LP (Pine Grove Lodge)	9,635	-
TOTAL	\$319,214	169

MUNICIPALITY	LAND AMBULANCE FUNDING (\$)
Dufferin	80,508
Peel	506,933
TOTAL	\$587,441

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE	FUNDING (\$)
Rexdale Community Health Centre	45,790

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TOTAL	\$45,790