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ERIE-ST. CLAIR 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) (\$)
Hotel-Dieu Grace Hospital	39	-	738,000	-
Public General Hospital of Chatham- Kent Health Alliance	12	19	\$276,000	-
Bluewater Health	12	-	482,000	-
Leamington District Memorial Hospital	4	-	75,000	-
Sydenham District Hospital of Chatham- Kent Health Alliance	-	-	38,000	
Windsor Regional Hospital	-	-	474,000	221,000
TOTAL	67	19	\$2,083,000	\$221,000

LONG-TERM CARE HOME	CATEGORY	
	General DME (Diagnostic, Safety Equipment, etc.) (\$)	Nursing (Bed Lifts)
<i>Chatham-Kent</i>		
Blenheim Community Village	6,263	-
Copper Terrace	14,549	7
LaPointe - Fisher Nursing Home, Ltd. - Fairfield Park	9,539	2
Meadow Park (Chatham) Inc.	9,346	11

LONG-TERM CARE HOME	CATEGORY	
	General DME (Diagnostic, Safety Equipment, etc.) (\$)	Nursing (Bed Lifts)
Thamesview Lodge - Corp. of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent	22,161	-
The Village - Ridgetown (Central Park Lodges Ltd.)	3,854	-
Tilbury Manor Nursing Home	7,226	-
Victoria Residence - Corp. of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent	8,672	4
<i>Essex</i>		
1537480 Ontario Ltd. (Richmond Terrace)	11,080	-
Banwell Gardens	13,682	-
Brouillette Manor (1230839 Ontario Ltd.)	5,781	9
Chartwell Master Care LP	15,416	-
Chateau Park Nursing Home - Regency/Chateau Care Corp.	5,685	3
Country Village Health Care Centre	10,021	-
Extendicare (Canada) Inc. - Southwood Lakes	14,453	-
Extendicare (Canada) Inc. - Tecumseh	12,333	-
Heron Terrace Long Term Care	13,489	-
Huron Lodge Home for the Aged - Corp. of the City of Windsor	24,666	6
Iler Lodge	10,021	-
Leamington Nursing Home	11,562	-
Leamington United Mennonite Home & Apartments	8,094	-
Malden Park Continuing Care Centre - Windsor Regional Hospital	14,742	10
Regency Park Nursing/Retirement Centre (Regency/Chateau Care Corp.)	6,937	-
Riverside Health Care Centre	6,359	-
Sun Parlor Home for Senior Citizens - Corp. of the County of Essex	19,849	4
Versa-Care Windsor Place	22,257	-
<i>Lambton</i>		
Afton Park Place	12,333	13
Corp. of the County of Lambton - Lambton Meadowview Villa	12,044	8
Fiddick's Nursing Home Limited	8,864	-
Marshall Gowland Manor - Corp. of the County of Lambton	12,140	-
North Lambton Rest Home - Corp. of the County of Lambton	8,479	-
Sumac Lodge	8,864	-
Twin Lakes Terrace	5,781	2
Trillium Villa Nursing Home	14,646	25

LONG-TERM CARE HOME	CATEGORY	
	General DME (Diagnostic, Safety Equipment, etc.) (\$)	Nursing (Bed Lifts)
Vision 74' Inc.	10,599	7
Watford Quality Care Centre	6,070	4
TOTAL	\$407,858	115

MUNICIPALITY	LAND AMBULANCE FUNDING (\$)
Chatham-Kent	202,608
Essex	501,342
Lambton	207,175
TOTAL	\$911,125

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE	FUNDING (\$)
Grand Bend Area Community Health Centre Inc.	6,541
North Lambton Community Health Centre	28,837
Sandwich Community Health Centre	11,408
Teen Health Centre	19,205
TOTAL	\$65,991

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