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INVESTING IN ONTARIO'S REGIONAL CANCER CENTRES

The McGuinty government is investing a total of \$19.8 million in Post Construction Operating Plan (PCOP) funding to support new and expanded integrated cancer programs at five Ontario hospitals. This will result in better access to quality cancer therapies and reduced wait times.

Integrated Cancer Programs (ICP) provides comprehensive cancer services to a defined regional population. They bring together systemic therapy, radiation therapy, surgical oncology, preventative oncology, palliative medicine and supportive care services under a single leadership structure that is accountable to the Hospital Board through the hospital CEO.

Regional cancer facilities and their related services were divested to their host hospitals on January 1, 2004. The cancer services at these facilities are now part of the ICP. Cancer Care Ontario advises the Minister on adult provincial cancer services and has agreements with each ICP for on-going radiation and chemotherapy service volumes and quality indicators.

A PCOP is a hospital's plan for operation upon completion of a capital project. The PCOP outlines the hospital's plan to expand existing services or implement new programs that will be delivered by the new or redeveloped facility. PCOP funding provides operating dollars to cover the costs of the new or expanded programs and services as well as the additional space and equipment amortization.

Listed below are the five regional cancer centres and the cancer services they will provide this year with the funding received.

Local Health Integrated Network	City	Cancer Centre	ICP Hospital	Funding	Services to be provided with funding.
Mississauga Halton	Mississauga	Carlo Fidani Peel Regional Cancer Centre – New Cancer Centre	Credit Valley Hospital	\$11,108,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7,403 Chemotherapy Treatment new Visits • 21,472 new Radiation Treatment Visits • 27,094 additional Assessment, Follow-up and Other Visits
Central East	Oshawa	McLaughlin Durham Regional Cancer Centre – New Cancer Centre	Lakeridge Health Corporation	\$4,492,200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3,480 additional Chemotherapy Treatment Visits • 13,374 additional Radiation Treatment Visits (provided in Toronto and Kingston until new cancer centre space in Durham is ready to occupy) • 13,887 additional Assessment, Follow-up and Other Visits
Waterloo Wellington	Kitchener	Grand River Regional Cancer Centre – Expanded Cancer Centre	Grand River Hospital	\$1,476,800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,020 additional Chemotherapy Treatment Visits • 3,885 additional Radiation Treatment Visits • 3,968 additional Assessment, Follow-up and Other Visits
North East	Sudbury	Northeastern Ontario Regional Cancer Centre – Expanded Cancer Centre	Hôpital régional de Sudbury Regional Hospital	\$1,505,800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 610 additional Chemotherapy Treatment Visits • 2,273 additional Radiation Treatment Visits • 2,899 additional Assessment, Follow-up and Other Visits
North West	Thunder Bay	Northwestern Ontario Regional Cancer Centre – Expanded Cancer Centre	Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre	\$1,188,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,180 additional Chemotherapy Treatment Visits • 5,719 additional Assessment, Follow-up and Other Visits

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