



## Runnymede Healthcare Centre

Runnymede Healthcare Centre is dedicated to providing care for adults with neurological disorders, other chronic illnesses and palliative needs through collaboration and partnership.

Runnymede Healthcare Centre's innovative and interdisciplinary approach improves the quality of life for each patient. As such Runnymede Healthcare Centre is recognized as a leader in delivering specialized complex continuing medical care.

## Project Highlights

New 180,000 square foot facility offering:

- Enhanced clinical and medical services
- Doubled patient capacity (from 95 to 200 beds)
- 116 patient rooms
- Two open-air courtyards
- Therapy rooms
- Multi-denominational chapel

## Hospital Construction: On Budget and Ahead of Schedule

For many years, Runnymede Healthcare Centre and the community have dreamt of moving the specialized complex continuing care hospital programs from the current facility, which originally opened in 1908 as Strathcona Public School. Now, after years of planning and consultation, construction is progressing ahead of schedule and very much on budget. This will allow Runnymede Healthcare Centre to accelerate transition of its medical, therapy programs and patients.

Runnymede Healthcare Centre will officially take possession of the new facility in early August, exactly one month ahead of schedule. This milestone represents the start of a new chapter in the history of the Hospital and it comes with much hope and promise for the future. An early transition schedule is a reflection of the hard work, professionalism and dedication of a great many people, who, working collaboratively, have brought this much-needed project to life.

Much of the necessary planning to ensure a safe and efficient transition is well underway. Between August and October 2009, the Hospital will have approximately eleven weeks to ensure that all necessary medical equipment, such as crash carts, is installed and working properly. With a patient population that will more than double in size and increase in complexity, the Hospital will need to recruit more nurses and other healthcare professionals.

True to the Hospital's culture of cooperation, Runnymede Healthcare Centre adopted an inter-professional approach to planning.

It's an approach that acknowledges the uniqueness of Runnymede Healthcare Centre and the fragile and significant medical needs of the Hospital's patients and their families.

For example, physicians and nurses – an integral part of the team that provide on-going, round the clock medical care and specialized treatment – are partnering with other medical consultants in areas such as psychiatry, dentistry, chiropody, optometry and geriatrics to review their care plans and responsibilities, and to maximize the new facility's potential.

These dedicated professionals will ensure that patients are medically fit to be transported between the old facility and the new.

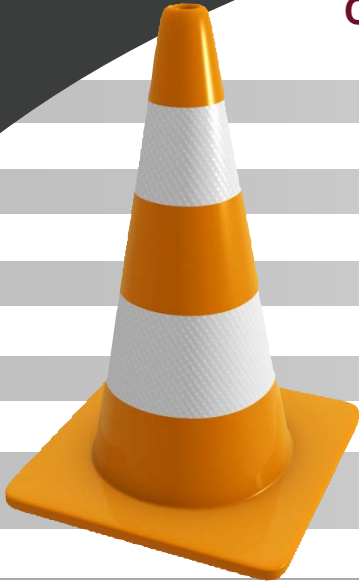
Likewise, the Hospital's allied health specialists such as Recreation Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Dietitians, Pharmacists, Social Workers and Speech-Language Pathologists are working to support the changes that will occur. All Hospital departments, staff and volunteers are engaged and excited by the prospects that the move to the new facility will offer.

***"This is a once in a lifetime event that will bring so many positive outcomes to the community and patients."***

-a local community member

Once patients move into the new facility, workers will demolish the existing hospital building and landscape the property. All work is expected to be completed by summer 2010.

## Current Construction Schedule



Start of construction	● October 30, 2007
Construction period	● October 30, 2007 to June 30, 2010
Excavation	● Completed
Building foundations and structure	● Completed
Building exterior, envelope and roofing	● May, 20, 2008 to June 30, 2009
Building interior finishes	● July 6, 2008 to August 5, 2009
Equipment start-up/Commissioning	● June 2, 2008 to August 31, 2009
Transition of patients and staff to new facility	● September 1, 2009 to November 30, 2009
Demolition of existing facility and completion of sitework	● December 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010
Total Completion	● June 30, 2010

## Construction Update



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### What's happened to date?

December 21, 2008 to March 21, 2009

- Permanent hydro power turned on
- Exterior site services complete for the new building
- Exterior masonry services complete
- Installation of exterior metal soffits underway
- Penthouse siding complete
- Drywall installed on all floors
- Painting, flooring, millwork, ceilings and all finishes underway on all floors

### What's happening next?

March 22, 2009 to June 20, 2009

- Completion of all interior finishes
- Begin testing and balancing of mechanical and electrical systems
- Complete roof top gardens and landscaping on the west side of the site

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