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## CPDMH BEGINS NEXT PHASE OF EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PLANNING

Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) has retained the services of RPG (Resource Planning Group) Inc. to lead the Functional Program stage of planning for the new Emergency Department.

“The Ministry of Health has a five-stage planning and approval process for capital projects and we are at stage 2,” explains Mary Wilson Trider, President and CEO. “We’re delighted to have RPG on board to lead this planning stage. They have a wealth of experience and are very familiar with our project.” RPG was chosen following a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process.

The RPG team will lead the development of a Functional Program, an essential requirement of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Capital Planning process. Over the next few months, they will work with key stakeholders - including patients and families - to help define the future needs of patients and the physical space required to support these needs. This will include the development of workflow processes, room types and room sizes to inform the design and layout of the new department.

“We are pleased to be selected to work with Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital on the planning for a new and expanded emergency department,” notes Chuck Wertheimer, Senior Principal with RPG. “A new and expanded emergency department will better support patients, physicians, and clinical staff, with modern, state-of-the-art equipment, and flexible, supportive space which is better able to adapt to peak volumes, provides improved patient privacy and satisfaction, and increased infection control standards. This is a much-needed expansion for the community of Carleton Place and the population it serves, and we look forward to beginning to work with CPDMH on this interesting and worthy project”.

Construction is expected to begin within 36 months. For the latest information about the Emergency Department redevelopment, please visit [www.cpdmh.ca/redevelopment](http://www.cpdmh.ca/redevelopment).

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