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STAGE 4.1 SUBMISSION FOR NEW EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT APPROVED – PROJECT MOVING TO TENDERING STAGE

The Ministry of Health has approved Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital's (CPDMH) Stage 4.1 submission for the new Emergency Department (ED). Planning for the tendering process can now begin, and CPDMH is planning to tender the project this summer.

"Our Emergency Department staff and physicians are doing amazing work in a small space. They and our patients are excited by the prospect of a new ED," notes Board Chair Carol Anne Esnard. "Thank you to the Ministry of Health for this welcome announcement."

The Stage 4.1 documents included architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical, civil, and landscaping designs. They also include a detailed review of the design, layouts of all rooms, and the final locations of equipment and accessories.

"To help prepare for the tendering stage, a Request for Prequalification Proposals for interested General Contractors and Mechanical and Electrical Subcontractors has been completed," explains Randy Shaw, Integrated Vice President of Corporate Support Services and Capital Projects.

The new ED will be linked to the hospital and will address current space challenges and enhance infection control standards. It includes 11 treatment spaces, which is an increase of five (or 83%) over the current ED. The new ED is being designed to improve patient flow for both walk-in patients, as well as patients arriving by ambulance. It includes barrier-free entrances for patients and ambulances. There will be a private family room inside the ED and more washrooms. Additional parking will also be provided.

President and CEO Mary Wilson Trider says the redevelopment project is a team effort: "Thank you to the Board of Directors Joint Capital Project Committee and to Emergency Department Steering Committee and User Group who have been working on this project. And thank you to the local community for your support and encouragement. The new Emergency Department will help the CPDMH team provide the very best care close to home."

The CPDMH Foundation has launched Healthy Futures. *Together!*, a comprehensive fundraising campaign for the new ED and needed patient care equipment for the hospital. A 22-community member campaign cabinet, with Co-Chairs Lori Cavanagh and Richard Kidd, is leading the effort. "We

hope everyone will join us with your support to help make a difference as we enter into an exciting year ahead for our local hospital!" notes CPDMH Foundation Board Chair Linda McGreevy.

For more information about the Emergency Department, visit www.cpdmh.ca/redevelopment.

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