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SOFTWARE LAUNCH IMPROVES DELIVERY OF PATIENT CARE

Carleton Place, Ont. – Staff at Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) is celebrating the successful launch of their new Meditech system. The installation of this new health program was a partnership between CPDMH and Queensway Carleton Hospital (QCH) in Ottawa who has been using Meditech since 2002. QCH's Information Technology staff, with assistance from CPDMH staff, conducted the installation, training and April 1st launch of the system.

“Joint initiatives such as this continue to build and strengthen the historical partnership between our two healthcare organizations,” said Mike Gagné, CEO of Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital. “QCH and CPDMH have a proud tradition of working together to improve patient care in our communities and this IT project is just one more successful story of that partnership.”

The Meditech system enables the sharing of clinical information between CPDMH and QCH, with the appropriate security and privacy measures in place. Information such as lab test results, which are done at QCH, will now be immediately accessible to CPDMH staff, thereby improving the efficiency and effectiveness of clinical programs in Carleton Place.

In addition, Meditech supports the ongoing shared services between the two hospitals such as materials management. In Sept 07, when CPDMH implements PACS (Picture Archiving Communication System), Meditech will allow the sharing of digital images of x-rays, CT scans and MRI exams between QCH and CPDMH.

“The enhanced partnership with CPDMH will ensure that the growing communities in West Ottawa and Carleton Place have improved access to care through integrated service delivery models supported by advanced hospital information systems,” added Eric Hanna, Vice President of Corporate Services at Queensway Carleton Hospital.

CPDMH joins a number of Champlain LHIN hospitals utilizing Meditech to support both clinical and financial information systems.

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