



Today's Take-Aways

Mandatory Vaccination Policy Rollout

- A tremendous amount of work has continued in preparation for the rollout of the new mandatory vaccination policies for staff, physicians, contractors and visitors. All policies take effect Friday, October 15th. While we acknowledge that this has been a difficult issue to work through, on a positive note, close to 98% of our approximately 800 staff and 100 physicians have been vaccinated.

Our Human Resources Department is still in communication with about 20 people to either confirm a medical or human rights exemption or to confirm their intention to not receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Those who do not qualify under a medical or human rights protected exemption will be put on an unpaid leave of absence as of October 15th.

On the contractor side, talks continue with a few remaining contractors and delivery people with regards to their vaccination status and that of their employees but overall compliance has been positive.

And from a visitor standpoint, a number of communication pieces have been circulated in the community around the new policy, along with the list of exceptions which is in alignment with those in hospitals across the province. Given that Renfrew County has a high vaccination rate, we don't anticipate too much of an impact.

COVID Vaccination Clinic

- Our hospital is on standby to assist with vaccination clinics again should the province approve third doses of the COVID-19 vaccine for some age groups within the population, or require assistance with vaccination of children aged 5-11 once that age group is eligible.

2021 Flu Shot Campaign

- We are anticipating receipt of this year's flu vaccine around the last week of October and the first week of November. As we did last year, we will have some roaming flu shot clinics as well as stationary clinics set up in one of the links. We are also exploring the ability to offer flu shots to our visitors as well as family members through pop-up evening or weekend clinics. More details to come.

Departmental Updates:

Medical Program

- We are seeing an increase in the number of COVID-positive cases requiring hospitalization and as a result have created a cohort for these individuals on 2nd Medical.

Diagnostic Imaging

- The department is continuing to receive funding for extra MRI and CT hours which is assisting with wait times in the region.

Today's Take-Aways Continued

Food Services

- The department has been dealing with some food shortages with some of its suppliers which are being managed through alternative sources or work-arounds.

Acute Mental Health

- The department is exploring the use of virtual technology for psychiatrist support for both its inpatient and outpatient care needs.

Maternal Child Care

- The Maternal Child Care program facilitated 79 births in the month of September – a record high for the unit, and a 25% over the norm. The team would like to extend gratitude to all who support the Maternal Child Care program and helped meet the care needs for all new moms and babies. In addition, the department received 68 patient satisfaction surveys from this period and of those – 96% of respondents said that would recommend our hospital to friends and family! Well done everyone!

PRH Foundation

- \$31,000 to date has been raised through our second Auto Lotto draw.
- Over \$200,000 has already been raised through this year's Un-Gala@Home fundraiser which takes place Saturday. Bids for the affiliated auction close at 11:59 p.m. on October 16th and will add to the grand total raised.



Tower A:

- Staff have all been relocated to their new office in the 1A North Wing.
- Work is progressing on the 5th floor for the *Cancer Care Project* for Pharmacy with terrazzo floors being repaired and backing installed in the new steel stud walls.
- A new condenser was installed on the roof for cooling the Decontamination Room next to the morgue.

Tower B:

- Door access control was installed on the Nursing office in Zone B.

Tower C:

- Heating control and isolation/balancing valves work was completed on the ground floor area behind the elevator.
- HVAC contractors were pre-qualified for future renovation work.
- Now that the 2nd floor is mostly vacant, quotes are being requested for painting and for replacing the flooring in the corridor and in a few carpeted offices.

Tower D:

- Some outstanding HVAC air balancing work remains to be completed on the 4th floor and in the rest of the building.
- Door access control was installed on the ground, 1st, 2nd and 4th floors next to the elevator where the floors are now secured at night. Staff can still access the floors after hours.
- A keypad was installed in the elevator to control access to the back door. Annunciation was also installed inside the elevator.

Guardian Angels

Dr. Jennifer Nicholson



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Current Facts and Figures

- **Renfrew County:** 16 active case, 10 deaths
- **Ottawa:** 276 active cases, 601 deaths
- **Ontario:** 13,829 active cases, 9,807 deaths

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Spiritual Care Services

Feast of St. Marguerite d'Youville

On October 16th, we will celebrate the Feast Day of Saint Marguerite d'Youville who is highly regarded as the foundress of Catholic health care in Canada.

Marie-Marguerite d'Youville was born on October 15, 1701 in Varennes, Quebec and died in 1771. She was the foundress of the Sisters of Charity of Montreal, commonly known as the Grey Nuns of Montreal. She was also the first Canadian-born saint, canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1990.

Marguerite's life knew much sadness and her charity knew no bounds. She married and had six children, four of whom died in infancy.

Her husband built up tremendous debt and died leaving Marguerite to settle his accounts. A widow and penniless at 28 years of age, Marguerite educated and raised her two sons who became priests.

Marguerite began caring for the poor and homeless with such love and compassion that word spread quickly. Several ladies came and asked to join in this service with her. She developed a set of virtues to live by in this small community. These became the ones adopted by the community as it grew to what it is today.

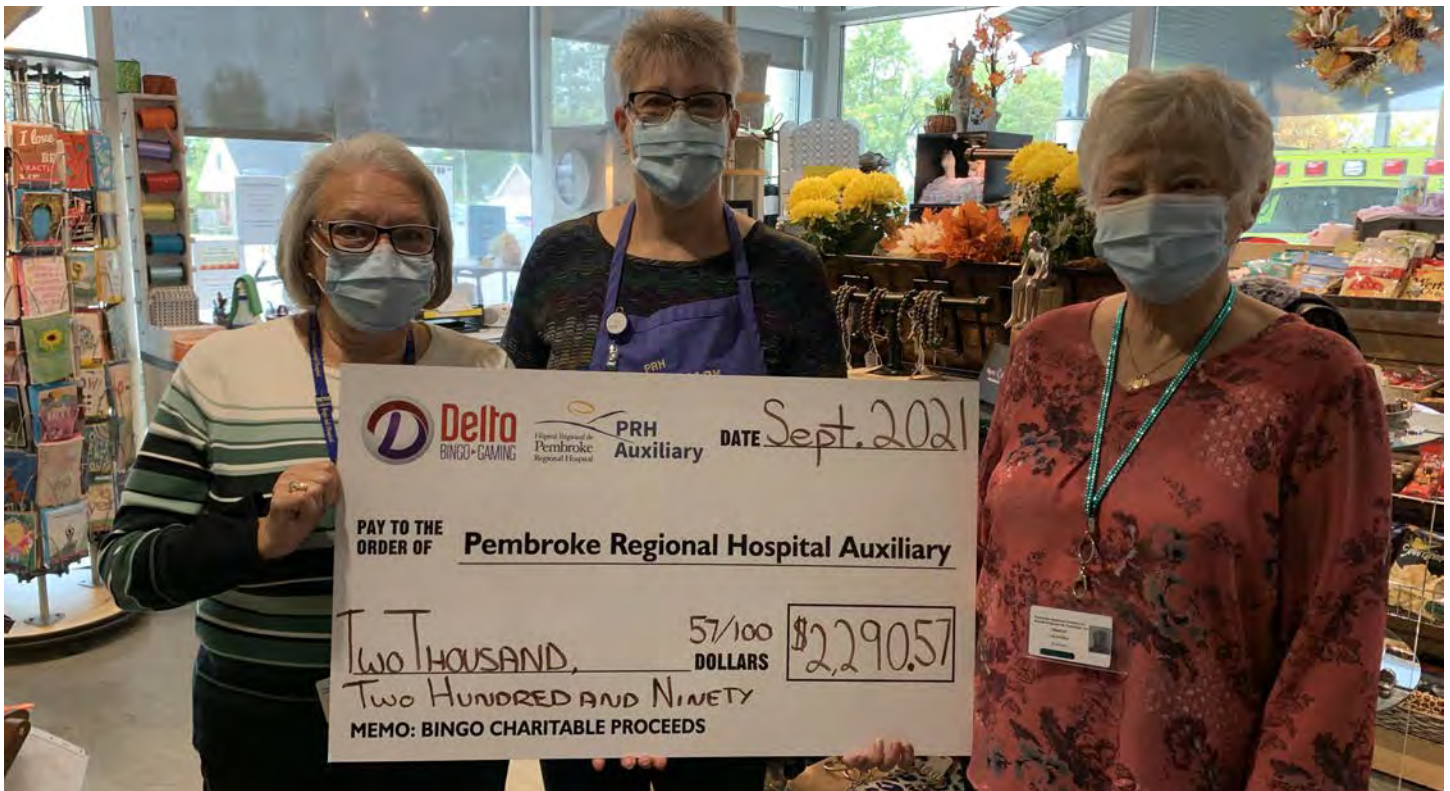
The sisters were asked to take charge of the Montreal General Hospital and turned it into a thriving institution. When it burned, Marguerite had it reconstructed. She insisted that the sisters lived by the virtues for which they became so well known. These same virtues became our values which we see listed on the walls of our hospital today.

The Feast Day of Saint Marguerite d'Youville is a good opportunity for all of us to reflect on our mission and values, and how we are meeting the "physical, emotional and spiritual needs of all".

On October 16th, please join us in a moment of reflection on the Feast of St. Marguerite d'Youville and her lifelong service to those in need.

This is how we will keep the spirit of Saint Marguerite alive and how we will show our appreciation for all that the Grey Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of Pembroke have done for our community.





A HUGE Thank You to Delta Bingo & Gaming for providing our Auxiliary with \$2,290.57, their share of funds raised for community-based charities during September!

Very appreciative of the donation are Auxiliary members Karen Schreder, left, Pat Etmanskie, and Heather Levasseur.



WHAT'S ON
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MENU

OCT 18 -22, 2021

DAILY SOUP- CHICKEN RICE

OCT 18: BEEF STEW SERVED WITH A BUN

OCT 19: CHICKEN QUESADILLA WITH POTATO WEDGES

**OCT 20: SWEET & SOUR MEATBALLS WITH SCALLOPED
POTATOES AND VEGETABLE OF THE DAY**

**OCT 21 :BEEF STROGANOFF WITH RICE PILAF AND DICED
CARROTS**

**OCT 22: BREADED HADDOCK WITH POTATO WEDGES
AND COLESLAW**



GRATITUDE

- It's now the 2A Medical Unit's turn to have their new med carts rolled out. The roll out happened last week and everything went well. Thanks to **Amanda (Clinical Education)** for all her help!
- The Senior Leadership Team would like to celebrate **all those who assisted in implementation of the hospital vaccination policy.** *"You and your teams have all gone above and beyond in your support of our employees, visitors, and service providers during this challenging time. Thank you for everything you do."*