

Ontario Approves New Hospital In Vaughan*McGuinty Government Providing Families Better Care Closer To Home***NEWS**July 21, 2011
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A new hospital approved for Vaughan, to be operated by York Central Hospital, will ensure that people and families living in the growing community have access to high quality health care, closer to home.

Planning is underway for the new Vaughan hospital that will offer patients:

- state-of-the-art emergency services;
- new modern surgical services and operating rooms;
- medical inpatient and intensive care beds;
- advanced diagnostic imaging;
- specialized outpatient services that may include oncology, cardiac, eye and diabetes clinics;
- 80 per cent single patient rooms for superior infection prevention and control; and
- a flexible hospital design to allow the space to adapt over time as new best practices emerge.

The new hospital will represent the single biggest healthcare investment in the Vaughan area since 2003.

Investing in modern and efficient hospitals that support the needs of our aging and diversifying population is part of [Building Together](#), Ontario's long-term infrastructure plan. Ontario will continue to make significant investments in public infrastructure over the next decade to improve the quality of life for families.

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"Achieving our hospital approval is an extremely important milestone for our community. This much-needed investment will improve local access to quality health care for our residents. I'd like to thank the people of our community, the City of Vaughan, and the many devoted volunteers who have contributed so much of their time and energy to our hospital project. While we still have important work to do, today's announcement gives us reason to celebrate what we have worked so hard to achieve."

- Greg Sorbara, MPP, Vaughan

"I know how important this new hospital is to the people of Vaughan and I'm proud to see it move forward. For Vaughan and area-residents, new hospital services not only mean faster and easier access to high quality health care services much closer to home, but also greater peace of mind."

- Deb Matthews, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

"I am delighted to have the government's support for our vision of creating a major regional health system by approving our organization to build a new hospital in Vaughan. The new hospital will benefit the citizens of Vaughan, and all of Southwest York Region."

- Altaf Stationwala, CEO, York Central Hospital

"I want to thank the province for taking this important step and thank the community for its unwavering support of our goal to build a hospital in the City of Vaughan. Today's announcement is an example of how different levels of government can work together with the community to improve health care services in our city. I want to personally thank everyone involved in this process for their hard work, commitment and dedication. In the coming months and years, discipline, cooperation and focus will be required to bring this project to fruition. The City of Vaughan and its citizens are up to the task. Today's announcement is good news for Vaughan!"

- Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor, City of Vaughan

QUICK FACTS

- The hospital will be designed, built, and operated by York Central Hospital as part of a two-site hospital system.
- Ontario has invested in over 100 major hospital capital projects since 2003. This includes 18 brand new hospitals that are either completed or in development.
- The McGuinty government will be investing more than \$35 billion in hospitals, public transit, schools, highways and other projects over the next three years as part of the Building Together infrastructure plan.

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