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GAIN House Grand Opening

HHHS enhancing services so people can stay in their homes and communities

In January 2015 the Central East LHIN and the Ontario government announced an investment of more than \$1 Million to allow inter-disciplinary teams to provide more community health services to individuals with complex medical, social and/or cognitive issues in Haliburton County.

The funding included the creation of a new Rural Geriatric Assessment and Intervention Network (GAIN) Team, where at risk seniors are supported at home by multi professional care teams and their primary care physicians.

To support the work of the GAIN Team, the GAIN House was officially opened today. Located on Winchester Street, the House will provide an ideal location for GAIN Team members to provide comprehensive, inter-professional geriatric assessments and work with older people and their families to develop personalized senior care plans to assist seniors to remain in their homes.

With the Central East LHIN's overarching aim of "Community First", the Ontario government and the Central East LHIN continue to make investments in high impact community programs and create integrated "Systems of Care" to better support people with complex and long-term medical, physical, social and/or cognitive conditions and to allow them to *Live Healthier at Home*.

"I am thrilled to see the Haliburton Highlands Health Services and the Central East LHIN championing comprehensive and integrated systems of care. Such collaboration ensures that we can effectively provide health services for complex medical, social and cognitive issues. I look forward to working with HHHS to ensure continued success as a leader in innovative, rural health care."

- Laurie Scott, MPP Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock

"These community investments represent a commitment made by the Ontario government in the Minister's Action Plan for Health to provide better home and community care and the Central East LHIN's mission of creating an integrated, sustainable health care system that ensures better health, better care and better value for money. The opening of the GAIN House is a clear sign of the hard work that has been done by Haliburton Highlands Health Services and their partners to develop HHHS as a more fully integrated health services delivery organization providing the majority of the continuum of health care for the community, a model that other health care organizations can look to, to meet current and future service pressures."

- Wayne Gladstone, Chair, Board of Directors, Central East LHIN

"The new community health investments in Haliburton County are consistent with HHHS' new Strategic Plan of doing more and better for the residents of the Highlands. We are focusing on the entire health journey: from primary care to emergency and acute hospital care, to community care, long-term care and end-of life care. As we continue to grow our services, we will work with our local partners to promote health and keep people well to help them stay in their homes for as long as possible. The new GAIN Team will allow HHHS to be able to meet the health needs of a growing and aging population in the Highlands."

- Varouj Eskedjian, President and CEO, HHHS

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