

ONTARIO ENHANCING HOSPITAL SERVICES IN SCARBOROUGH*McGuinty Government Delivers Grant To Redevelop Diagnostic Imaging Department***NEWS**July 25, 2008
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Ontario is investing in faster access to medical services through a capital grant of up to \$6.52 million for the redevelopment of the diagnostic imaging department and completion of the concourse level at The Scarborough Hospital.

This redevelopment will help reduce wait times and improve access to health care at the hospital.

The diagnostic imaging department is part of the hospital's Emergency and Critical Care Centre project which includes an expanded emergency department, a 14 bed intensive care unit and an 8 bed critical care unit. The Emergency and Critical Care Centre project is expected to be completed in early 2009.

Diagnostic imaging services that will be provided in the redeveloped diagnostic imaging department include:

- Radiology
- Ultrasound
- Nuclear medicine
- Cardiac diagnostic services

With the addition of today's commitment of up to \$6.52 million, the government is investing more than \$61.5 million in capital funding to redevelop the Emergency Critical Care Wing (ECCW) at The Scarborough Hospital General Site.

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"Reducing emergency room wait times is one of our key health care priorities," said David Caplan, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. "Today's investment will help residents of Scarborough get faster access to services when they need them the most."

"This is further evidence of the McGuinty Government's commitment to ensuring that the people of Scarborough are able to access high quality care in our community," said Brad Duguid, MPP for Scarborough Centre. "I look forward to the completion of this project and the opening of the new facilities early next year."

"The new imaging department will help us to provide better services to the people of Scarborough," said Rob Devitt, Supervisor for The Scarborough Hospital. "This is great news for our community."

QUICK FACTS

- The Scarborough Hospital is Toronto's largest urban community hospital, with over 3,700 staff members, more than 700 physicians and 800 volunteers.

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